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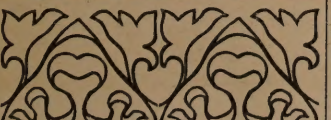


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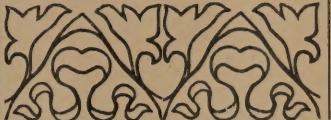
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This is to certify that on
the 3^d and 5th of February
1900, I carefully examined
the Nursery stock of Mr.
C. A. Nobelsius of
Emerald, and find the
stock to be singularly free
from disease, and in the
best possible condition.

C. French.
Govt. Entomologist
& Chief Inspector under
Vegetation Diseases Act.

GENERAL REMARKS.

I HAVE much pleasure in presenting you with my FOURTEENTH CATALOGUE OF TREES, and avail myself of the opportunity to thank my Customers for the support accorded me during the last fifteen seasons, and shall do my best to merit a continuance of their favours and recommendation.

I continue to import New Varieties in Fruits, such as should be of superior merit, from the most reliable sources, and every possible care is taken to have same correct; but mistakes will sometimes happen, and, although I take no responsibility *re* new varieties, I wish that any of my Customers would inform me of any error in this respect. If possible such trees will be replaced, as I do not wish my Customers to be the losers. Many varieties I am unable to fruit on account of the climate here being rather cold, and I have to depend on others in a more suitable climate to try them. I would take it as a great favour if any of my Customers would furnish me with a report on any new variety that they may have fruited, as this would greatly help me in recommending or discarding same, as the case may be.

My Nurseries are situated at Emerald. Railway Siding and Office are at New Nurseries, half a mile from Emerald Railway Station, on the Ferntree Gully and Gembrook line. The Nurseries are now over a hundred acres in extent, and contain over one and a half million trees in various stages. The soil is particularly suitable for producing nice fibrous-rooted trees, thus ensuring a safer removal to other places.

My stock of saleable trees this season is fully one million, all being perfectly clean, healthy, free from all insect pests, and in the best possible condition. A certificate of examination by the Chief Inspector, Mr. Chas. French, Government Entomologist, to that effect can always be seen at my Nurseries. The Nurseries are regularly examined each season previous to sending out trees, and a Clean Certificate can be had with each consignment if required.

All trees are most carefully packed for transmission to any part of the world, so as to ensure their arrival in good order.

Orders will be booked at any time from now, and executed in the end of May or beginning of June. Every order is immediately executed on receipt of same, or acknowledged. If no reply be received within a few days, it may be assumed that the letter has miscarried.

The prices quoted are for cash within one month of receipt of invoice.

Unknown Correspondents are kindly requested to remit with their orders, or to name a Melbourne reference.

Payments may be made by crossed cheque, bank draft, or post office order, the latter payable at Melbourne. Small amounts may be forwarded in postal notes or in stamps.

C. A. NOBELIUS.

GEMBROOK NURSERIES,
EMERALD, 1ST MARCH, 1906.



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ALMONDS.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Brandes Jordan—A well-known variety of strong growth, very tender shell.

Burbank's Seedling—A variety from Luther Burbank; tree extremely hardy, and a great bearer; recommended as one of the best for this climate, and flowers much later than other sorts.

Early Jordan—An early variety of the "Paper Shell."

Golden State—Originated in California; described as a great and regular bearer; large, with a full, smooth-skinned kernel, and a soft shell.

Hawthorn Seedling—Medium size; good bearer, strong grower.

I.X.L.—A very good variety from California; large nuts, perfect shell.

Lewelling—Also a Californian seedling; tree a thrifty grower and enormous bearer.

Nonpareil—A heavy and regular bearer, with very thin shell.

Paper Shell—Very good, easily broken between the fingers.

Sultana—Medium size, fruit well flavoured, shell tender.

ALMONDS—New and Recently Introduced.

PRICE—18/- per doz.; £5 per 100.

Grosse Tendre—A new almond, very large, thin-shelled, good grower and heavy bearer.

Hatch's Nonpareil—A very fine almond, large kernel, and very thin shell. The shell of this almond is the thinnest I know of, thus losing very little weight after being shelled.

ALMONDS, NEW AND RECENTLY INTRODUCED (CONTINUED).

Ne Plus Ultra—Tree a rapid grower, leaves rather large, extremely prolific, producing its nuts in bunches all over the twigs; nuts large and long; fine flavour.

Peerless—This almond was raised by Mr. H. Wicks, Riverside Nursery, Payneham, S.A. It is without any doubt the prettiest dessert almond, being very smooth and well shaped, large, and of fine flavour; shell easily broken between the fingers.

White Nonpareil—Raised and distributed by Mr. Charles Pitt. The tree is a strong grower, of spreading habit; nuts very large, with white shell; a far heavier bearer than "Brandes Jordan."

APPLES (GENERAL COLLECTION).

All on Blight-proof Stocks, and Perfectly Clean.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Adams' Pearmain—First-class dessert, one of the best; late.

Adams' Pearmain (Tasmania), "Golden Reinette"—This apple is known as Adams' Pearmain in Tasmania, and is much esteemed as a mid-season dessert apple; medium.

Akerö—A Swedish apple of high quality, medium size, handsome salmon colour; early.

Albury Park Nonsuch—A large heavy apple of first-rate quality as a culinary apple, and a good keeper. The tree is vigorous, and an enormous cropper. Award of Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Alfriston—A large cooking apple, and splendid keeper; late.

Allington Pippin—A most valuable dessert fruit, closely related to "Cox's Orange Pippin," but distinct in colour, quality, and growth. The fruit is medium-sized, roundish, even, regular and smooth in outline; skin clear lemon on shaded side, but flushed with red on the sunny side, flaked with broken bars of crimson; flesh greenish white, very juicy, crisp yet melting, sweet, with a delicate "Cox's" flavour; growth sturdy, and a splendid bearer.

Allsopp's Beauty—A late apple of great beauty; deep crimson colour, covered with bluish bloom; it is a good dessert and cooking variety; strong grower and blight-proof; with me a shy bearer.

Amassia—Fruit small, highly coloured and of a pleasant flavour; it is excellent in a tart, and requires no sugar.

American Golden Russet—Medium size, rich flavour; medium.

Anna Elizabeth—An excellent culinary apple for winter use; late.

Armored—A dessert apple of highest quality; late.

Atalanta—A valuable mid-season variety, medium to large, yellow-red streaks on one side; culinary and dessert.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Baldwin—Very hardy, late bearer, first-class dessert ; late.

Ballarat Seedling—A first-class culinary apple, large, green and yellow, with red cheek; late.

Baumann's Red Winter Reinette—Exceedingly handsome ; late.

Beauty of Bath—A valuable addition to our extra early dessert apples. Fruit medium size, round, a little flattened; skin yellowish green, beautifully striped and spotted with crimson in the sun, flesh slightly yellowish, with a brisk, rich spicy flavour; a superior early apple, good bearer.

Belle de Pontoise—A large apple of French origin; very brilliant in colour, of excellent flavour when cooked; late.

Ben Davis—Excellent market variety, dessert ; late.

Black Ben Davis—Seedling from "Ben Davis," introduced from United States, America. It is a decided improvement, more beautiful, solid red colour, better quality, better keeper, surer cropper, and should need no further recommendation; late.

Blenheim Orange—A large culinary and dessert apple ; late.

Blondin—Handsome and a good keeper; late.

Boston Russet—One of the best of the Russet class, fine flavour ; late.

Bowmont Beauty—Medium size, cooking and dessert, good grower, heavy bearer ; medium to late.

Brownlee's Russet—An excellent late apple, suitable either for cooking or dessert.

Buncombe—A beautiful dessert apple of good quality ; late.

Calville Blanche d'Hiver—A valuable cooking and dessert apple; very late.

Cardinal (*syn.* "Peter the Great")—An apple from the Crimea, bears abundantly and makes a pretty fruitful pyramid. Flesh sprightly, sweet and transparent; colour of the fruit yellow, flecked with red; early.

Carlton—Raised by Mr. J. F. Smith, from "Northern Spy." Tree blight-proof; a strong, thrifty grower and most prolific bearer; fruit very large, yellow-striped and suffused with carmine; flesh crisp, juicy, and delicious flavour.

Carolina Red June—Fruit below medium size, highly coloured; dessert; early.

Cellini—Dessert and cooking, a good bearer ; medium.

Chandler—A large dessert and cooking apple ; late.

Claygate Pearmain—Greenish yellow, nearly covered with brownish red, rich aromatic, a good bearer ; late.

Cleopatra—A splendid apple in some districts; late.

Cliff's Seedling—Fruit large, "Pearmain" shaped, and most highly coloured, with a beautiful bright gloss all over. Flesh yellow, crisp, juicy, and of exquisite flavour; a late keeper and invaluable market variety; tree remarkable for its upright and vigorous growth, perfectly blight-proof; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Climax—Another perfectly blight-proof apple, raised by Mr. J. F. Smith. Fruit is above medium size and roundish, skin clear waxy yellow, streaked and dotted on the sunny side with lively crimson; flesh yellow, crisp, juicy, tender, and of honeyed sweetness. Season of ripening between "Irish Peach" and "Gravenstein," thus forming a valuable succession.

Commerce—A new American apple of great beauty, with two shades of red, and a heavy blue bloom; of large size, nearly round, very solid and perfect in every way; it is a great bearer, and does not blow off the tree; quality is first-rate, and it will keep till November; late.

Cooper's Market—A good keeping dessert apple, very productive; late.

Cornish Aromatic—Medium size, rich red with yellow russet dots, with a rich aromatic flavour, dessert; late.

Cornish Gilliflower—Large, remarkable for its rich and aromatic flavour, dessert; late.

Cox's Orange Pippin—Grand dessert, flavour excellent; late.

Crow's Egg—Constant bearer, good colour; late.

D'Arcy's Spice—One of the most popular and useful of all late sorts. Being such a good and almost indispensable dessert variety of good flavour and firm flesh, should be much sought after when well known.

Delicious—A most beautiful and delicious apple from Iowa. Tree a strong grower, hardy and most prolific bearer, fine colour, like "Jonathan," and most exquisite flavour. One of the best late keeping apples.

Devonshire Quarrenden—A highly-coloured apple; early.

Dougherty—Medium size, almost covered with bright red, a very fine dessert apple, good bearer; late.

Dr. Hogg—A large culinary apple, strong grower and early bearer; late.

Duchess of Oldenburg—Very handsome, good market variety; early.

Duke of Clarence.

Dumelow's Seedling—A first-rate culinary apple, much used for jelly-making; late.

Dunn's Seedling—(*syn.* "Munro's Favourite.")

Early Margaret—The earliest of all, but will not keep.

Early Richmond—Medium size, good flavour, and a prolific bearer. Tree robust grower, with large leaves resembling "Red Astrachan," blight-proof; early.

Early Rivers—Tree robust and prolific, fruit of excellent flavour, ripening a week earlier than "Lord Suffield," and said to be much superior to that apple; early.

Emperor Alexander—An excellent large culinary apple, and a good market variety; early.

England's Glory ("Gascoigne Scarlet")—A very handsome, red-cheeked apple from Kent, free grower and a great bearer; a first-class dessert apple.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Esopus Spitzenberg—A most beautiful apple, richly flavoured ; late.

Fall Beauty—Large, beautiful, waxy yellow, an excellent culinary apple ; blight-proof.

Fearn's Pippin—A splendid apple for all purposes ; late.

Five Crown Pippin—(See "London Pippin.")

Forth's Gipslander—A handsome large variety, and can be used either for cooking or dessert.

Foster—This beautiful apple was raised by Mr. W. N. Foster, of Neerim South. It is of a most beautiful colour, and of very fine flavour. Coming into use in February, it will fill up a gap in the market between the very early apples and "Jonathan," when good dessert apples are scarce. I feel sure it will sell before any other apple at that season, and will keep, if necessary, to middle of April. So far, the parent trees have not been affected with the woolly aphis ; it is a free grower and heavy bearer. This will, no doubt, become our very best early export apple.

Foxwhelp—One of the best cider apples ; medium.

Framboise d'Holovous (Holovous' Raspberry Apple)—One of the best Bohemian varieties. Fruit yellow, with a crimson cheek, flesh white, striped with red ; melting, juicy, with a strong flavour of Raspberries. Tree vigorous and prolific ; late.

French Crab—A popular market sort, keeps long ; late.

Garibaldi (Adelaide)—Medium size, skin yellow on shaded side, bright crimson on side next the sun ; flesh pale yellowish white ; juicy, sweet, and richly flavoured ; in season from May to September.

General Carrington—Raised by Mr. J. F. Smith, from "Northern Spy" pips. Tree of strong, vigorous, upright habit and perfectly blight-proof. Fruit large and handsome ; skin yellow, beautifully striped crimson ; flesh yellowish white, rich, crisp, juicy, and sugary, of delicious flavour, much like the "Ribston Pippin." An exceedingly prolific bearer. A valuable late-keeping dessert apple of the highest excellence.

Gloria Mundi (Allenbank Seedling)—A very large cooking apple ; medium.

Glowing Coal—A large, very highly coloured apple.

Golden Ball—A fine, large, golden-coloured apple ; medium.

Golden Harvey—Small size, a very richly-flavoured dessert apple ; late.

Golden Reinette—This is the best of all the export apples, being very pretty, keeps well, of first-class flavour, and a heavy bearer ; being subject to the woolly aphis, the tree requires to be kept clean ; medium.

Golden Russet—An excellent dessert apple ; late.

Golden Spire—This is one of the finest early cooking apples, in use from middle of December to March ; an early and regular bearer.

Gooseberry—One of the latest cooking varieties ; late.

Gott's Seedling—A seedling from "Dumelow's Seedling," heavy bearer ; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Grand Sultan (*syn.* "Yellow Transparent")—An early Russian apple of considerable merit; an abundant bearer; fruit brisk, sugary, and refreshing; flesh transparent; common in the Baltic provinces of Russia. A capital boy's apple.

Granny Smith—Large and juicy, of a greenish yellow colour; well known and much esteemed in New South Wales; late.

Gravenstein—A splendid apple, good flavour and colour; early.

Gravenstein Rouge—Fruit medium, conical, yellow and red. Flesh rich and juicy; a great bearer; early.

Hambling's Seedling—Large, pale, flushed with rose. The flavour is very good, being suitable for dessert, cooking, or making jelly. Raised by Major W. J. Hambling, of Dunstable, England, and is believed to be a seedling from "Peasgood's Nonsuch."

Hall Door—A highly-coloured apple of medium size and good flavour, well known in Tasmania; late.

Hay's Midseason—Fruits of large, even size and most handsome appearance, beautifully striped bright carmine on a greenish yellow ground; flesh firm, yellow, crisp, juicy, sweet, and of exquisite flavour; tree extremely hardy, a regular and heavy bearer, and absolutely blight-proof; resembles the "Northern Spy" in its habit of growth; a valuable addition to the list of blight-proof apples.

Herefordshire Beefing—Small, but very heavy for its size; a fine culinary apple; late.

Hoary Morning—Handsome and good; early.

Hoover—A beautifully-coloured apple, keeps well; late.

Irish Peach—Good bearer and does not blight; early.

Ivanhoe—A valuable, late-keeping apple. Fruit medium to large size; colour, when ripe, light golden yellow; excellent quality, crisp.

John Sharp—A seedling from "Pomme de Neige," and is perhaps the best of Mr. H. E. Sharp's seedlings; perfectly blight-proof, enormously productive, large size, most handsome appearance; good in shape and colour, and keeps over a long season. The hardest and best apple of its season.

John Toon—A nice dessert apple; medium.

Jonathan—A most beautiful fruit for all purposes; medium.

Jubilee—A very pretty, large, midseason apple; highly coloured, flesh white, of good flavour. This variety is very free from spot, and a good bearer; medium.

Jupp's Surprise—A very early apple, keeps and carries well.

Kenny's Autumn.

Kentish Fillbasket—An excellent culinary variety; medium.

Kentucky Redstreak—A good apple, but liable to spot; late.

Keswick Codlin—A valuable early culinary apple.

King of the Pippins—Very handsome, fine flavour, dessert; late.

King of Tomkins County—A large and handsome apple, dessert and cooking; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Kirk's Admirable—A good cooking apple ; medium.

Kooroochiang—A colonial seedling raised by Mr. R. Whatmore, of Smeaton ; it is a strong grower, said to be a good bearer and a good keeper. This apple is fruiting with me this season, and is really a first-class variety.

Lady Carrington—Beautiful bright red, very prolific, and said to be blight-proof ; early.

Lady Henniker—Fine, large, and regular bearer, cooking and dessert ; medium.

Lady Hopetoun—This first-class dessert apple was raised by Mr. M. E. Schroeder, of Castlemaine. In appearance it very much resembles "Jonathan ;" the raiser says the tree is perfectly blight-proof, and that the fruit hangs well until the end of April, and should be valuable as an export apple.

Lane's Prince Albert—Richly flavoured, great bearer ; late.

Lang's Best—Fruit medium size, covered all over with dark crimson ; flesh white, juicy, and briskly flavoured ; a very handsome apple, and keeps well ; in use from April to October.

Late Aromatic—Large, fine flavour, keeps well ; late.

Lawrence—A fine apple, similar in growth and fruit, excepting colour, to "Reinette du Canada ;" late.

London Pippin—One of the very best apples for all purposes ; late.

Lord Nelson—A large culinary apple ; medium.

Lord Suffield—A splendid cooking apple, heavy bearer ; early.

Lord Wolesley—Heavy bearer, good cooking and dessert ; late.

Lucombe's Seedling—Large cooking apple ; medium.

Magg's Seedling—A showy apple, blight-proof ; late.

Maiden's Blush—A beautiful culinary apple ; medium.

Mann—Large deep yellow, good bearer, and keeps well ; late.

Marjorie Hay—Raised by H. E. Sharp ; a very early blight-proof seedling, raised from "Irish Peach," large size, conical in shape ; skin clear yellow, striped and mottled with lively red, brighter on the sunny side ; flesh white, tender and crisp, with a rich, agreeable juicy and aromatic flavour ; an early dessert apple of the finest quality ; in season middle to end of December ; tree is a strong, upright grower, very prolific, and blight-proof. I recommend this novelty with the greatest confidence.

Menagere—A large culinary variety ; medium.

McIndoe's Russet—The fruit is large and rather flattened, with prominent ribs, of a brown russet colour and of excellent flavour. The tree is of moderate growth, and an excellent bearer.

McMahon's White—Fruit large, well shaped, with white flesh, fine grained, and of excellent quality. The trees bear young, and are vigorous, healthy and productive, said to be a first-class market variety, and blight-proof ; medium.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Mellon's Seedling—Medium size, good colour, flavour excellent; late.

Mona Hay—Raised by H. E. Sharp; a blight-proof seedling from "Irish Peach"; tree is very vigorous, and attains considerable size; pyramidal habit, and perfectly blight-proof; a regular and most profuse bearer, presenting a handsome sight when laden with its beautiful fruits; fruit is of above medium size, oblate, flattened in shape; skin smooth, yellow, beautifully striped with crimson and covered with crimson where exposed to the sun; in season February and March; flesh white, tender, crisp, sugary and juicy, with a delicious flavour. A dessert apple of the highest excellence and most handsome appearance, possesses every good quality, invaluable alike for home use and market.

Morgan's Seedling—A very heavy bearer, small fruit, keeps well, good flavour; late.

Mother—A beautiful and fine-flavoured dessert apple; late.

Mr. Gladstone—Handsome and good, but will not keep; early.

Munroe's Favourite—One of the best for all purposes; late.

Newman's Seedling—A very large apple, beautifully striped, and good bearer; late.

Newton Wonder—Large, well coloured, perfect form, splendid cooking quality; tree vigorous and very productive; one of the best late apples.

Newtown Pippin—Medium size, yellow, fine flavour; a first-class apple where it does well; late.

Nickajack—Large and handsome, cooking or dessert; late.

Northern Spy—A splendid dessert apple; late.

Ohinemuri—(*syn.* "Munroe's Favourite.")

Oregon Mammoth Black Twig—Vigorous grower, and very hardy; fruit very large, many specimens measuring 12 inches in circumference; colour dark red; flesh firm, long keeper.

Paragon—The tree bears very young, and is productive. Fruit large roundish, somewhat flattened, dark red; flesh firm, yellow, crisp, aromatic, sub-acid, and juicy; it is a very late keeper and of excellent quality.

Peasgood's Nonsuch—A magnificent apple of enormous size; medium.

Perfection (Shepherd's)—A very handsome dessert variety; late.

Pomme de Neige—Flesh white, a fine market apple; medium.

Prince Alfred—A very large apple, first-class either as a dessert or cooking, will keep for eight months; medium.

Prince Bismarck—A splendid large and well-coloured apple, one of the best market sorts; medium.

Prince Edward—Bright yellow, red next the sun; flavour brisk; flesh tender and melting; late; Award of Merit, R.H.S., England.

Prince of the Pippins—A beautiful dessert apple, and very heavy bearer; medium.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Rambourg de Winnitza—Very large, said to weigh up to 2 lbs., skin yellow, sometimes striped with crimson; flesh firm, juicy, vinous; very late variety; free of pyramidal growth.

Red Astrachan—A very early, highly-coloured, soft-fleshed apple; early.

Red Bietigheimer—A large, handsome, early autumn apple.

Reinette du Canada—A large, popular apple, combining many good qualities; late.

Rhode Island Greening—Large, colour green; of first-rate quality for all culinary purposes, and excellent also for dessert. A most valuable export apple; late.

Ribston Pippin—A well-known dessert variety; medium.

Rokewood (Bullock's Seedling)—A highly-coloured colonial-raised apple, and probably the best keeping variety of all; late.

Rome Beauty—A beautiful late apple and heavy bearer, one of the best.

Ruby Gem—A beautiful apple of medium size, brilliant red all over, flesh snowy white, tender, crisp, juicy, mild, sub-acid and delicious, strong grower and early bearer; blight-proof; medium.

Ruby Pearmain—Fruit "Pearmain" shaped, of medium size, nearly covered with red, and of good quality; tree hardy and good grower, blight-proof; late.

Rymer—Skin red; an old favourite, long keeper; late.

Rymer (Cole's)—A highly coloured dessert apple of good quality and heavy bearer; late.

Sam Young—A delicious little dessert apple; late.

Santa Clara King—A large roundish apple with yellow skin and red blush on the exposed side, flesh very crisp and juicy; good for all purposes; a good market variety; early.

Scarlet Nonpareil—A handsome, good-keeping, dessert variety; late.

Scarlet Pearmain—One of the prettiest apples grown, good dessert; medium.

Schroeder's—Dessert and cooking; a fine variety, raised by Mr. E. Schroeder, Castlemaine.

Scotch Red Streak—Very much resembling "Gravenstein," and ripening at the same time.

Selector—A first-class late apple.

Senator—A new apple of superior merit. For rare beauty and singularly fine quality the choice of everyone. The great show apple at the World's Fair. Just the right size to attract buyers. Tree a vigorous grower and regular bearer; flesh yellowish white and of exquisite quality.

Sharp's Early—Raised by Mr. H. E. Sharp. Perfectly blight-proof as far as tested. Fruit of medium size and most handsome appearance, yellow ground, covered with red and crimson stripes; tree a regular and heavy cropper; ripens early in January; one of the best early dessert apples.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

- Sharp's Late Red**—A variety raised by Mr. H. E. Sharp. It is a vigorous grower, hardy and prolific; fruit large; flesh yellow, firm, juicy, melting, with a rich aromatic flavour; colour, bright red on yellow ground, mottled and streaked with bright crimson; in season from June to December. An invaluable variety for any collection. The parent tree has shown no signs of woolly aphid.
- Sharp's Nonsuch**—Another of Mr. H. E. Sharp's seedlings. Vigorous grower and blight-proof; skin deep yellow striped with red; flesh yellow, tender, and very juicy; pleasant flavour; medium.
- Shockley**—A very pretty, highly-coloured apple of good keeping qualities; late.
- Shorland Queen**—A very beautiful dessert apple; medium.
- Springdale**—Is one of Stark Bros.' finest late-keeping apples; size, very large; colour, brightest red; tree hardy, good grower, with dark green foliage, and said to be a regular and heavy cropper. This new variety is very promising, and has been the winner of many prizes; tree is blight-proof.
- St. Martin's**—Large, conical, dessert; flavour very rich; colour dull red, covered with a grey bloom; Award of Merit, R.H.S., England; late.
- Stansill**—Medium size; yellowish green, blush on the sunny side, early bearer; good; late.
- Statesman**—A local seedling raised by Mr. W. Chandler, "Como," Bayswater. The tree is an upright grower and good bearer; fruit bright golden, striped and shaded with crimson; a good dessert and cooking variety. The raiser has kept same in good condition as late as December.
- Stone Pippin**—A well-known apple, and one of the best where it does well; late.
- Sturmer Pippin**—A constant bearer, good dessert, and a long keeper; late.
- Swaar**—Large, yellow and russet, flesh soft, of good flavour; tree strong grower and good bearer; late.
- Taunton**—Large, conical yellow, with dark red cheek; flesh yellow, crisp, highly-flavoured; tree productive and vigorous; medium.
- Taupaki**—A New Zealand variety, most highly coloured and perfectly-shaped fruit, a yellow ground streaked and striped with bright crimson, a good keeper, with a delicious "Spy" flavour. Trees come into bearing when quite young; a sure and heavy cropper; tree perfectly blight-proof, having been thoroughly tested under various conditions. Useful for all purposes.
- The Queen**—In England this is considered one of the most beautiful varieties grown; cooking and dessert; late.
- Thomas Rivers**—(*syn.* "Rivers' Codlin") certificated R.H.S., 4th October, 1892. This apple is a cooking variety of singularly rich flavour, large, and brilliant colour; flesh very firm in texture; ready for use in the middle of April, and lasts until July; the tree is very healthy, forming a handsome bush or pyramid; bears abundantly.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Thomson's Long Keeper.

Trivett's Seedling—A medium-sized apple, good colour, heavy bearer and blight-proof; medium.

Twenty Ounce—A very large culinary apple; medium.

Wagner—Medium size: a Canadian apple of great merit, flavour very good, colour bright red; late.

Whiney's Late Red—Large, deep red, resembling "Ben Davis," but of much better quality; good grower, a valuable long-keeping and export apple.

White Nonpareil—A richly-flavoured dessert apple; late.

William Anderson—A very pretty dessert apple, above medium size, good flavour, and keeps well; tree blight-proof; late.

Williams' Favourite—A very handsome dessert apple; early.

Winter Majetin—A good cooking apple, blight-proof; late.

Winter Peach—Medium size, cream colour, flesh very tender and juicy, with fine acidity, a valuable cooking apple and keeps well; late.

Winter Strawberry—A useful, late keeping variety, dessert; late.

Wolf River—A most magnificent and valuable apple. A good dessert, and yet most excellent cooker; it is very large, yet, unlike other apples, it does not drop. Some specimens measured 15 inches round, and weighed 21 ounces. Colour, yellow ground, splashed and striped with lively red.

Worcester Pearmain—Medium size; a handsome early kitchen and dessert apple, free bearer, and a favourite market apple; early.

Yates—An exceedingly handsome dessert apple; late.

DWARF APPLE TREES.

PRICE—18/- per doz.

These are dwarfed by first working the "Paradise" on to the "Northern Spy," and then the variety on to the "Paradise." They are specially adapted for small gardens where a number of varieties are required, as they can be planted six feet apart. They produce fine fruit, and come early into bearing.

Baumann's Red Winter

Reinette

Ben Davis

Brownlee's Russet

Cellini

Commerce

Cox's Orange Pippin

Delicious

Esopus Spitzenberg

Fraise

Golden Reinette

Golden Russet

Golden Spire

Gravenstein

Hoover

Jonathan

Jubilee

Kansas Queen

DWARF APPLE TREES (CONTINUED).

Lane's Prince Albert
 London Pippin
 Morgan's Seedling
 Mr. Gladstone
 Munro's Favourite
 Perfection
 Pomme de Neige
 Prince Bismarck
 Prince of the Pippins

Reinette du Canada
 Ribston Pippin
 Rome Beauty
 Senator
 Shorland Queen
 Sturmer Pippin
 William Anderson
 Williams' Favourite

APPLES.

New and of Recent Introduction.

Barry—Fruit large, somewhat conical; fresh firm, crisp, juicy, and of best quality: skin yellow, marbled with carmine; tree hardy and productive; a very late keeper. 2/- each.

Bielo Borodawka—Fruit clear yellow and pale rose, red striated on the sunny side, very large and prolific, supposed to be an improvement on "Emperor Alexander;" medium. 2/- each.

Browning's Beauty—This apple I received from Mr. L. M. Shoebridge, of Glenora, Tasmania. It is a most beautiful and distinct apple, being coloured in quarters, as if it were painted in various shades, one quarter being green and another pink or yellow; it is a first-class show apple, quality only fair; late. 2/- each.

Champion—A late-keeping apple of highest excellence; the skin is of a deep yellow, suffused with scarlet and deep crimson stripes; a regular and abundant bearer. 2/6 each.

Coldstream Guard—A first-class early summer dessert apple, size medium to large, smooth, round, of bright colour, and very taking appearance, cannot be too highly recommended for market; tree healthy, hardy, and heavy cropper. 2/- each.

Emperor Alexander White—A Russian apple, extremely hardy and enormously productive, being heavily laden with evenly-sized handsome fruits; it has a light yellow skin, streaked red; most useful for small gardens. 2/- each.

Loy—A variety from California, where it is held in the highest esteem; it is one of the largest and showiest of apples in cultivation, rivalling that well-known variety, "Gloria Mundi"; ripens in April, and keeps for a long time; the tree is a strong, thrifty grower, and keeps remarkably free from woolly aphis; the large fruits hang on well, and are difficult to shake off; the flesh is pale yellow, exceedingly rich, firm, and juicy, and of a most agreeable flavour; a valuable late-keeping dessert and culinary apple of the highest excellence. 2/- each.

APPLES, NEW AND OF RECENT INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED).

Niedwetzkianna—Originated from Central Asia, where it was found both wild and cultivated; the wood, leaves, blooms, and fruit are red. 3/6 each.

Parlin's Beauty—Very large and handsome apple; tree extremely hardy and prolific; a valuable apple for all purposes. 2/6 each.

Proctor's Seedling—Fruits, Pearmain-shaped, are above medium size, and of most handsome appearance, flushed red and striped carmine; flesh tender, crisp, sugary, and juicy, of a delicious flavour; tree hardy and most productive; late. 2/6 each.

Red Majestic—This is another apple from Mr. L. M. Shoebridge, Glenora, Tasmania. It is very like "Munroe's Favourite," but of a much better colour, fully half of the fruit is of a beautiful red and pink; it is of first-class quality, and when known will, no doubt, be planted extensively. Price, 2/- each.

Reine Louis d'Danemark—A valuable late-keeping, medium-sized dessert apple of the highest excellence; flesh white, firm, crisp, and juicy; skin light yellow, flushed dark red on sunny side. Price, 2/- each.

Royal Late Cooking—A most remarkable late-keeping culinary apple, of English origin; fruit of the largest size; flesh pale yellow, exceedingly rich and juicy; tree extremely hardy and productive, also most vigorous grower. Price, 2/- each.

Stayman Winesap—It has fruited freely in New Zealand, and fully bears out the high opinion in which it is held in America as one of the very best and most handsome of long-keeping dessert apples of the finest quality. An invaluable variety for any collection, and when known will be largely planted for late market. Price, 2/- each.

Summer King—A valuable early market variety, fruits large, beautifully striped crimson, red, and orange; flesh tender, crisp, juicy, and of best flavour; a prolific and regular cropper. A valuable early summer apple. Price, 2/- each.

Thorle Pippin—Medium size, handsome and regularly formed; its freedom from blight, early season of ripening, bright colour, clean growth, and hardiness of the tree recommend it as an invaluable variety for all purposes; ripens immediately after "Irish Peach." 2/6 each.

Winterstein—Raised by Luther Burbank; a seedling from "Gravenstein," it closely resembles the parent; ripens six weeks later. The tree is a clean grower, and most prolific cropper; the fruits are most highly coloured; flesh yellow, crisp, and exceedingly rich and juicy. A dessert apple of the highest quality. Price, 2/- each.

Xavier de Bavey—Large, orange-yellow, marbled and striated carmine on the sunny side; flesh yellowish white, fine, tender, juicy, sugary, perfumed; first quality; late. Price, 2/6 each.

CRAB APPLES (*Pyrus baccata*).

PRICE—Trees, 2/6 each.

The following sorts of Crabs are very bright and ornamental during the autumn, and are exceedingly pretty in shrubberies arranged with regard to the colours of the fruits, which hang for some time on the trees. Many of these sorts make a very good preserve:—

Coral (Chicago)—Rich warm yellow ground, with a vermilion cheek.

Dartmouth—Deep, purple crimson, large, with a fine bloom.

Malus Aurea—Leaves yellow, clear green in the centre.

Malus Floribunda (LARGE FRUITED)—Differs from the pretty “Malus Floribunda” in the size and colour of the fruit. The tree in the autumn is as yellow as a laburnum. The flowers are as profuse as on the original tree, and are the same bright colour, and very fragrant.

Marengo—Fruit large, bright warm red on yellow ground.

Oblong—Light yellow, striped with crimson and carmine.

Transcendent—Golden yellow, with crimson cheek in the sun, covered with a delicate white bloom.

Yellow Siberian—Yellow, with a striped crimson cheek.

APRICOTS.

ON SEEDLING APRICOT STOCKS.

PRICE—12/- per doz., £3/15/- per 100.

Acme of Shense—Very large yellow, with a red cheek, good quality; freestone. The tree is a free and vigorous grower.

Alexis—A Russian apricot; very hardy and prolific bearer; yellow, with red-streaked cheek; large to very large; slightly acid, rich and luscious. 1/6 each.

Allen's Early—An early apricot of good quality; medium.

Alsace—Large, pale orange, rich and good; medium.

Beauge—Medium size, good colour and very fine flavour; heavy bearer; medium.

Belle de Toulouse—Large, rich and good; late.

Campbellfield Seedling—Fine golden yellow, an excellent variety for jam making, hardy and good bearer; medium.

Canino Grosse—Large, bright orange; a hardy apricot of good quality; medium.

Dundonald—Large, orange, very rich; late.

Early Golden—A somewhat small fruit, but very early, and on that account likely to bring better prices than later and finer apricots. It is a rich yellow, very productive and sweet.

APRICOTS (CONTINUED).

Early Moorpark—Similar to "Moorpark," but earlier.

Gooley—A Californian seedling of large size and good flavour. It is considered a very valuable variety, being largely planted where known. Said to be the earliest of the large varieties.

Harris—Recommended by Mr. Luther Burbank; comes from New York, U.S.A. A leading grower writes: "We now have an apricot—the 'Harris'—which succeeds almost everywhere. The fruit of the 'Harris' is described as rich golden yellow, large size, very fine quality, early bearer, immensely prolific."

Hative d'Auvergne—Highly flavoured, good grower: early.

Hemskirke—Bright orange, tender, rich and juicy, and excellent bearer; medium.

J. L. Budd—The best Russian apricot; strong grower and profuse bearer; fruit large size, colour white with red cheek; fine flavoured.

Kaisha—A richly-flavoured variety; early.

Large Early—A fine early apricot of excellent flavour.

Luizette—Very large fruit, rich and highly flavoured. It was raised by M. Luizette, of Lyons. For fine size, good quality, and vigor of growth, it is unsurpassed. It is also an abundant and regular bearer.

Mansfield Seedling—Very large, one of the finest grown; late.

Montgamet—Fruit medium size, juicy and agreeably acid; good for preserving; early.

Moorpark—A well-known apricot of great excellence; medium.

Mrs. Hart—A variety from Queensland; good cropper.

Noonday—This new variety was sent from Illinois, U.S.A., with the record, "most prolific, largest, and best Russian apricot yet tested."

Oullin's Early Improved—A very fine early apricot, said to be an improvement on "Oullin's Early Peach" apricot.

Oullin's Early Peach—A large fruit of most delicious flavour, one of the best early apricots.

Peach—Large, oval, juicy, and sugary, somewhat musky flavour; medium.

Pennant Hill Oval—Large, oval, sweet, and very prolific.

Pine Apple—Large, rich, and of beautiful colour; late.

Precoce de Victoria.

Precoce de Wunnie—A seedling of "Oullin's Early Peach," which it resembles, but ripens earlier.

Roman—Medium size, pale yellow, very hardy, suitable for cool districts; medium.

Rouge (*syn.* "Angoumois")—Small, deep yellow red on the sunny side, good flavour; early.

Royal—Large, one of the best for drying; medium.

Royal George—Large, deep orange, one of the finest for preserving; late.

APRICOTS (CONTINUED).

Sardinian—A very early small apricot of good flavour, strong grower and a heavy bearer.

St. Ambrose—Large, rich, and good ; medium.

Turkey—Medium size, highly coloured, rich and sugary ; late.

Twyford Seedling—Good bearer ; late.

Warwick—Large, resembling “Moorpark,” constant bearer, flesh orange, firm, particularly rich and sugary ; early.

NEW APRICOTS.

PRICE—2/- each.

Brugarta—This is considered a most valuable variety ; fruit large ; flesh bright orange and of delicious flavour ; tree symmetrical, upright and vigorous grower, of robust habit ; very productive.

Riverside—Raised by H. Wicks, Riverside Nursery, S.A. Fruit large to very large, roundish oval, of best quality ; skin yellowish green, with a red cheek where exposed ; tree a strong grower, with a short-jointed wood and large foliage ; a sure bearer of fine fruit, ripening a fortnight before “Moorpark.”

Tilton—A new Californian seedling ; fruit very large, rich apricot colour, high flavour, uniform ripening, productive, with frost-resisting qualities and vigorous growth, easily place it far in advance of all other varieties ; for drying and canning it is much superior to any of the older sorts.

CHERRIES

On Mazzard Seedling Stocks.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Abesse—Of the “Red Duke” family, largely grown in Russia and East Europe. Has been tested with best results in United States. Fruit is large, dark red, delicious, almost equal to the “Heart” cherries.

Archduke—Fruit larger than “May Duke,” dark red when fully ripe, juicy, sweet and briskly flavoured.

Bedford Prolific—Large, handsome, black, a good market variety ; medium.

Belle d’Orleans—Red, tender and juicy ; early.

CHERRIES (CONTINUED).

Belle Ellen (*syn.* "Wilk's Seedling")—Large, deep glossy black, first-class cherry; medium.

Bigarreau, Christy's—A large midseason cherry of colonial origin; medium.

„ **Cleveland**—Bright red and yellow, richly flavoured; medium.

„ **Common**—Large, fine and good bearer, pale red; medium;

„ **d'Hollande**—Bright red, firm flesh, and prolific; late.

„ **Elizabeth**—A large red cherry; late.

„ **Frogmore**—Large, pale yellow and red, juicy, and of excellent flavour; early.

„ **Gross Cœuret**—Large, dark red, flesh firm; medium.

„ **Late Mottled**—A first-class late cherry.

„ **Monstreux de Mezel**—A very large handsome cherry of excellent quality; medium.

„ **Napoleon**—Large, bright red, firm; late.

„ **Red**—A fine large red cherry; medium.

„ **Riverchon**—Large, dark red, almost black; late.

„ **Rockport**—A delicious soft-fleshed cherry; early.

„ **Twyford**—Pale yellow and red, of first-class quality; early.

„ **Turkey**—Large, red and yellow, heavy bearer; medium.

Black Bohemian—A large fine black cherry, and first-class for market; medium.

Black Eagle—Medium size, a very heavy and regular bearer; medium.

„ **Republican**—A black variety of medium size, a most prolific bearer; medium.

„ **Tartarian**—Large, black, strong grower and very prolific, good market variety; medium.

Burgsdorf's Seedling—A first-class cherry of colonial origin, raised by Mr. Burgsdorf, of Harcourt.

California Advance—A seedling of "Early Purple Guigne"; fruit large, purple; tree a great bearer; the best early cherry.

Centennial—A Californian seedling of the largest size and highest excellence; tree most vigorous and robust, hardy grower and prolific bearer.

Chapman—Introduced from California, a seedling of "Black Tartarian," larger and finer, a better bearer, and—what constitutes its great value—much earlier, ripens immediately after "Purple Guigne."

Doncaster Prolific—A local seedling, said to be an improvement on "Bedford Prolific," being much firmer and a better market variety; medium.

CHERRIES (CONTINUED).

Eagle's Seedling—A fine black cherry, ripening about the same time as the "Common Bigarreau," when black cherries are scarce; medium.

Early Lyons—Black, firm flesh, and large; early.

„ **Purple Guigne**—A delicious black cherry, large and early.

„ **Red Guigne**.

„ **Rivers**—A splendid black cherry; early.

Florence—Large, very firm, a heavy bearer, late, and first-class market cherry.

Francis Moss.

Heart of Midlothian—Large, nearly black, flesh tender and rich; early.

Kentish—Good for cooking and preserving; medium.

Knight's Early Black—Large and heavy bearer; early.

Lewelling—An American seedling from "Black Tartarian," of great merit; fruit deep, rich cherry colour, and fine flavour; late.

Louis the 18th—A large, late, black, firm-fleshed cherry.

May Duke—Large, brownish-black; early.

Montmorency—An early cherry of the "Morello" class, said to be a week earlier than the "Kentish" cherry.

Morello—A cooking cherry; late.

Olivet—Large, globular, shining, deep red; tender, rich, and vinous; the best of the "Duke" tribe.

Oregon—A new seedling cherry from Oregon, very large; colour reddish purple, flesh firm and sweet; very late; a great acquisition.

Oxheart—A large handsome cherry, dark red, flesh firm, with a brisk and pleasant flavour; medium.

Ramon Oliva—A beautiful variety, dark red, glossy, flesh firm, sweet and fine; very early and prolific.

Reine Hortense—Large, bright red, changing to dark red, skin very thin and translucent, tender and juicy; late.

Royal Duke (Donna Maria)—Large and handsome, deep shining red, tender, juicy, and very rich; medium.

St. Marguerite—Very large, black, firm, one of the best market varieties; late.

Suda Hardy—A most valuable late cherry, an improved "Morello," of which it is evidently a seedling, and it surpasses that good old variety. The tree is hardier, with better foliage, and a most thrifty grower; exceedingly prolific.

Werders's Early Black—A fine black cherry, heavy bearer and fine flavour; early.

Windsor—Very large, dark red, nearly black, very firm; late.

CHERRIES

On Mahaleb Seedling Stocks.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

These are like the Apples on "Paradise" stock, growing much dwarfer, and thus best suited for small gardens. They can be planted ten feet apart.

Bedford Prolific	Eagle's Seedling
Belle de Orleans	Early Lyons
Bigarreau Common	Early Purple Guigne
„ Twyford	Early Rivers
Black Eagle	Florence
Black Tartarian	St. Margaret

CHERRIES.

New and Recently Introduced.

Belle de Montreuil—Fruit very large, round, marbled with red; flesh firm deep red, sugary, perfumed; early. 1/6 each, 12/- per doz.

Bigarreau Gaucher—A new early cherry, imported from France. Fruit is very large; skin is brown-red; flesh reddish, firm, juicy, and very good. Tree is a vigorous and hardy grower. 1/6 each, 12/- per doz.

Bigarreau Jaboulay—Large, dark red, remarkably rich and delicious; the earliest "Bigarreau" known; ripens twelve to fourteen days before "May Duke." 2/- each, 18/- doz., or £5 per 100.

Bigarreau Pelissier—A beautiful large cherry, imported from France, measuring one inch in diameter; skin dark glossy red, flesh firm, juicy, crisp and sugary; a first-class early variety. 1/6 each, 12/- per doz., or £5 per 100.

Noble—A very large dark red cherry, imported from Thos. Rivers & Sons, England; flesh firm and rich; very late. This cherry has received a First-class Certificate from the Royal Horticultural Society, England. 2/- each, 18/- per doz., or £6 per 100.

Ostheimer—Another new variety of the "Morello" type. Begins to bear very early, and produces heavy and regular crops. Fruit large, heart-shaped, almost black when ripe, rich, juicy, and less acid than the "Morello." Very hardy, both in tree and fruit-bud; flowers late, and cherries hang on well. 2/- each.

NECTARINES.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Albert Victor—A very large, handsome fruit, very juicy, with a brisk and sprightly flavour; medium.

Ansenne—The parent of "Goldmine." The fruit is of the largest size, and very highly coloured; flesh tender, melting, and of most delicious flavour; tree extremely hardy, and a regular cropper.

Byron (Rivers)—A late orange nectarine, flavour rich and excellent, extra large and handsome, heavy cropper. A great acquisition to this desirable class.

Cardinal (Rivers)—This valuable nectarine ripens ten days ahead of "Early Rivers," is of medium size, very brilliant colour, and exquisite distinct flavour; forms a compact, sturdy tree, and bears freely; most valuable on account of its extreme earliness.

Early Rivers—Fruit of largest size, skin rich crimson on side next sun, light yellow, marked with red on shaded side; flesh is tender, juicy, and very rich, with a decided "Stanwick" flavour; very early.

Fairchild's White—Fruit rather small, a great bearer; early.

Goldmine—This nectarine originated in the garden of Mr. Lundon, of Parnell, N.Z. The fruit is of an enormous size. It is a perfect freestone, the pit or stone being extremely small for so large a fruit. The flesh is a beautiful cream colour, tender, juicy, melting, and sugary, and of most delicious flavour; colour bright bronzy red; season of ripening, last week of February.

Goldoni—A fine dark-coloured variety of excellent flavour.

Humboldt—Fruit large, bright orange, dark crimson on the sunny side, flesh very tender, juicy, and well flavoured; medium.

Hunt's Tawny—Pale orange and deep red, rich and juicy; early.

Lees' Seedling—This magnificent nectarine was raised by Mr. Lees, of Beenak, from a peach stone twenty years ago, and is still bearing beautiful fruit; the sample brought to me measured nine inches in circumference. It is of beautiful colour, and flavour all that could be desired. Doing so well at Beenak, being a cool district, it should be very hardy. I have no hesitation in saying that this is the best nectarine I have seen, and should become a great favourite with planters.

Mrs. Dr. Chisholm—A very early variety; ripe in the beginning of December.

New Boy—Fruit of largest size and extremely handsome, covered all over with brilliant crimson; flesh white, juicy, sugary, and of exquisite flavour; tree very hardy and a profuse cropper; one of the best.

Olmstead—Imported from California. It promises to be a sterling variety, season late; size large, red-cheeked on side next to sun, and very showy; flavour is very rich and sweet, equal to the very best, and is a perfect freestone; tree hardy and a good grower.

NECTARINES (CONTINUED).

Pitmaston Orange—Large, roundish, rich orange red next the sun; juicy, rich, and excellent; early.

Precoc de Cronsels—A new nectarine imported from France; described by the raiser as "the earliest nectarine," ripening before all others; fruit large, skin yellowish, with a dark plum colour; freestone, first quality; highly recommended.

Red Roman—Large, yellow and red, rich, juicy, and highly vinous; medium.

Shorland Tawny—A fine variety and good flavour; medium.

Stanwick—Large, quality first-class; late.

Victoria Rivers—Very large, of good quality, and a heavy bearer.

White Slipstone—Large, with a slight tinge of red next the sun, very juicy and fine flavour; early.

NEW NECTARINE.

PRICE—2/- each.

Lippiatt's Prolific—Large, highly coloured, rich and sweet; tree of upright growth, hardy, and prolific; early.

PEACHES.

All my Seedlings are worked on Seedling Peach Stocks.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Alexander's Early—Very fine quality, and highly coloured.

Alexandra Noblesse—Richly flavoured, tender and juicy; early.

American Pound—Large, round fruit; medium.

Amsden's June—Highly coloured, good flavour; very early.

Arkansas Traveller—A first-class early peach, similar to "Brigg's Red May."

Barnard's Early—Medium to large, yellow and purplish red; flesh yellow, red at the stone, juicy, sweet, and rich; hardy and a heavy bearer.

Beauty of Taupaki—Seedling from "Wheatland;" reliable heavy bearer, and a hardy grower; fruit large, very showy; flesh yellow, with red at the stone; flavour rich, luscious and juicy; perfect freestone.

Belle of Georgia—A grand market peach, second only to "Elberta;" these two stand first in the New York market for quality and price. "Belle of Georgia" is being largely planted; colour bright red and white.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Bilyen's Late October—Fruit large, with a bright red cheek; flesh white, sweet and excellent; late.

Blood—A variety from Ceylon, with red flesh.

Bonanza—A magnificent large freestone peach; very late; has a rich red cheek, white flesh, fine quality, productive, and a vigorous grower; a valuable acquisition as a late peach.

Bower's Early—A very attractive and useful variety, one of the best of the second early kind.

Brandywine—A large yellow peach, similar to "Late Crawford," but ripening much later.

Brigg's Red May—Very early, highly coloured, rich and juicy.

Burton's Newington—Fine flavour; medium.

Camden Excellent—One of the finest late peaches.

Carman—A new hardy peach, ripening same time as "Early Rivers," large, roundish, with pale yellow skin, red blush on sunny side; white flesh, tender and melting; rich, sweet, and of superior flavour; the finest second early peach.

Chair's Choice—A late yellow-fleshed peach of largest size; deep yellow, with red cheek; flesh firm, and quality unsurpassed either as a dessert fruit or canned; ripens with "Salwey."

Champion—A new hardy early variety of largest size, highest flavour, and best shipper of early peaches, perfect freestone; colour beautiful creamy white, with a bright red cheek; very handsome in appearance, and should become a first-class market variety.

Christiana—A beautiful and most delicious peach, of superior size and quality; late.

Comet—Very large, yellow flesh, a fine canning peach; late.

Conkling—A splendid yellow-fleshed peach, very hardy and prolific; good for canning; medium.

Copas Late Red—An extra large freestone peach, colour red, ripens in March. It is without doubt the best freestone peach of its season, quality good, and should become a great favourite.

Copas Nectarine Peach—Another peach raised by Mr. H. W. Copas, Wirrabarra, S.A.; skin yellow, almost covered with rich dark red; ripening after "Royal George Cling;" very hardy, and a good market variety.

Crimson Beauty—A valuable clingstone peach, with white flesh; skin creamy yellow, with one-half the surface covered with bright crimson; said to be very hardy and productive; ripens end of February.

Crosby—A very hardy peach, fine colour, flesh yellow, flavour superb; it will sell alongside any other sort of its season, and has been kept for two weeks after travelling a long distance by rail.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Delicious—An exceedingly handsome peach; skin yellow, with minute carmine dots, red all over towards the sun; flesh yellow, stone small, flavour can only be described as “delicious;” ripens a week before “Crosby,” and is the finest dessert peach of its season; a sure cropper, and invaluable for small gardens.

Domerque—A variety imported from France, said to be the earliest peach known; a good bearer, exquisite flavour, freestone.

Downing—Dark red, very richly flavoured; early.

Duke of Edinburgh—Nice coloured and very productive; late.

Dymond—Imported from England, where it is described as handsome, and richly flavoured, hardy, and prolific.

Early Crawford—A splendid yellow and crimson coloured peach, good for canning or dessert; medium.

Early Silver—Creamy white, delicately coloured on the exposed side; large and constant bearer; tree very dwarf.

Elberta—A splendid midseason peach, and spoken of in the highest terms by *The American Garden*; it is a large, handsome peach, well coloured by the sun, yields heavy crops, and carries well.

Emperor.

Ford's Late—This is said to be the latest of all the white freestone peaches, and a most valuable market variety.

Foster—This is considered one of the best peaches of American origin, and before all others for drying and canning; large, deep orange red, with rich colour on the exposed side; flesh yellow, rich, and juicy; freestone; a few days earlier than “Early Crawford.”

Fox's Seedling—Of good size and fine quality, white flesh, red cheek, and carries well.

Geary's Hold-on—A large yellow peach seedling of the “Smock;” late.

Globe—This is one of the largest, most delicious peaches of the age; it is a golden yellow, with beautiful red cheek; is a freestone of the largest size, with firm yellow flesh, pleasant, rich, and juicy, globular in form, with good keeping qualities, and an enormous bearer.

Gold Dust—A new yellow clingstone peach. This grand peach comes from the United States, where it has the reputation of being one of the finest standard varieties. Large, round, deep yellow with a red cheek; flesh very rich, yellow and juicy, of unusually fine quality.

Governor Garland—A medium-size peach; rich rosy colour, white flesh, delicious flavour and fragrance when fully ripe; early.

Hale's Early—A really first-class peach in every way, and always brings the top price in the market.

Hay's Midseason—This variety originated in Messrs. D. Hay & Sons' Nursery. The fruit is of the largest size, of handsome appearance and very best quality, rivalling that magnificent peach “Foster.” It is a freestone, flesh rich deep yellow, luscious and deliciously flavoured. Same season as “Foster.”

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

High's Early Canada—A very early peach of greatest excellence, ripening same time as "Brigg's Red May," but a better bearer.

Husted's Early—Similar to "Hale's Early" in appearance; smooth skin, well coloured; flesh creamy; freestone; ripens end of January.

Improved Flat China—An improvement on "Flat China;" very early.

Jenkins' Red—A very highly-coloured peach of good flavour; medium.

Jones' Early—Very fine colour; rich flavour.

Kalamazoo—The most profitable peach of its season; tree extremely hardy and a certain bearer; fruit, large, round, handsome appearance; flesh bright yellow, and deliciously flavoured. An invaluable variety for all purposes. Comes in at a good season, ripening after "Sea Eagle."

Kerr's Seedling—A splendid large hardy variety; late.

Keyport White—A large white peach, with red cheek, very prolific and popular.

Lady Palmerston—Similar to "Comet;" late.

La France—Imported from France, said to be one of the best varieties raised by M. Alexis Lepere. Beautiful fruit, very large, somewhat higher than wide, one side thicker than the other; skin dark carmine red; flesh white, fine, melting, juicy, of an exquisite perfume; tree vigorous and prolific; early.

Large Early York—A fine early peach, good flavour.

Late Crawford—A superior yellow peach, very large, productive, good for canning or market; late.

Lemon Cling—A large lemon-coloured clingstone peach, good for canning; late.

Lord Palmerston—A very large late peach.

Louis Grognet—Imported from France. A seedling of Alexis Lepere, vigorous and prolific; fruit large, beautiful; flesh white, fine, sugary; freestone; ripens after "Hale's Early" and before "Grosse Mignonne Precocoe."

Lovett's White—Mr. J. T. Lovett says: "This peach has every quality demanded in the ideal white peach; a perfect freestone." Colour pure white, very large, hardy, and prolific; late.

Marshall's Late—Very large, deep yellow; immensely productive; ripens about 20th March; a valuable late market variety.

Mary's Choice—A large and beautiful yellow peach of the highest quality, ripening a little after "Early Crawford;" medium.

Merchant Campbell—Large and good; medium.

Merrie Merrie—Large, good colour, and rich; medium.

Milner's Earliest-of-All—A Sydney variety, said to be very early, of good colour and flavour, comes in with "Brigg's Red May," carries well; clingstone.

Morris' White—Large oval, skin creamy white, melting, juicy, rich and sweet; medium.

Mountain Rose—A medium-size hardy peach of good quality; medium.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

- Muir**—A large freestone peach, one of the best for canning and drying. It is a good bearer and strong grower, a most useful variety; late.
- Old Mixon** (Freestone)—Large, good flavour and handsome; late.
- Orange Cling**—A very large yellow peach; a good canning variety. It is a strong grower and heavy bearer.
- Osprey**—A large and handsome peach, greenish-white, nearly covered and mottled with red; flesh rich, melting, and delicious; ripens just after "Sea Eagle," on which it is a great improvement, being superior in quality and flavour; late.
- Poole Favourite**—Imported from United States; resembles "Late Crawford," but larger, richer colour, better bearer, and ten days later; very large size and valuable for market.
- Powell's Beauty**—A beautiful large yellow freestone peach, with deep red cheek. Mr. Powell, in whose garden it originated, has picked from the tree peaches which weighed 12 ounces. It is of delightful flavour, and keeps well.
- Pratt**—Fruit large and handsome, nearly covered with rich red; flesh yellow, of the highest quality; medium.
- Princess May**—A colonial seedling raised by Mr. F. W. Nink, of St. Andrew's, Queenstown. He describes it as being very large, highly coloured, and of a good keeping quality, ripening in March; clingstone.
- Prize**—A large yellow freestone of good quality; a profitable late variety, and very popular where known.
- Red-leaved Peach**—This peach is remarkable for the colour of its foliage—in the spring being of a bright purple, as the season advances it changes to a deep bronze; the blossom is handsome, and the fruit, which is produced abundantly, is of fine flavour, clingstone and striped, making it of unique appearance; valuable for both shrubbery and orchard.
- Reed's Early Golden**—An improvement on "Crawford's Early," with which it ripens. It is larger and handsomer, and a very reliable and heavy bearer.
- Reeve's Favourite**—Large yellow, with red cheek, flesh yellow, red at the stone, ripens a few days after "Crawford's Early," flavour excellent; medium.
- Reine des Vergers**—Fruit, large, roundish; skin whitish, mostly covered with dull deep purplish red in the sun; flesh whitish, red at stone, juicy, melting, vinous; late.
- Richardson's Choice**—It is very similar to "Powell's Beauty," and ripens at the same time. A first-class peach.
- Roser**—One of the hardiest and best late peaches ever introduced, a perfect freestone of the best quality, rich, meaty, and juicy, with a mild sub-acid flavour, and when cooked or canned has no superior. The fruit is large and somewhat oblong, with a beautiful flush on one side.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

- Royal George**—A well-known variety, one of the best; medium.
- „ „ **(Clingstone)**—Large, rich, and handsome; medium.
- „ „ **(English)**—Large, good colour, and highly flavoured; medium.
- Ruding's Late**—White, with bright red cheek, juicy and highly flavoured, very productive and popular, one of the best, a regular and heavy bearer.
- Salwey**—Flesh deep yellow, similar to an apricot; late.
- Saunders**—Richly flavoured and highly coloured; early.
- Sea Eagle**—Very large, good colour and flavour; late.
- Sellor's Clingstone**—A good canning peach; late.
- Shanghai**—Large, greenish yellow, red at the stone; a favourite peach in New South Wales.
- Shepherd's Late**—A large and handsome clingstone; flesh solid, white, red near the stone, rich flavour; season middle to end of March; good colour; tree hardy, good grower, a regular and abundant bearer.
- Shipley's Red**—This is one of the most beautiful of peaches, and very popular where known. The fruit is of large size and fine appearance, flesh white, with beautiful flush, tree vigorous and very productive.
- Sneed**—The earliest peach known; is said to ripen two weeks before "Briggs' Red May." It is a seedling from "Chinese Cling"; fruit medium size, somewhat oval in shape; colour creamy white, with rich red blush on sunny side, ripens evenly to the pit, and is of fine quality; very early.
- Steadley**—A large white-fleshed peach; late.
- Susquehana**—Fruit very large, colour rich yellow with red cheek, an excellent variety; medium.
- Tauranga**—A late yellow-fleshed peach from Tauranga; enormous size, fine appearance, good for all purposes.
- Troth's Early Red**—A medium-sized peach, red and white, flesh rich and excellent. It ripens shortly after "Early Rivers," and carries well.
- Thurber**—Fruit large, skin creamy white, shaded and mottled with pale red and carmine where fully exposed; flesh white, a little red at the stone, fine grained, very juicy, rich and delicious; late.
- Ulati**—A seedling of "Alexander," ripening just after the very early varieties, thus filling the gap before "Hale's Early" comes in; colour bright red, flesh white, perfect freestone.
- Wager**—A large yellow peach, shaded with red; flesh yellow. It has been pronounced by experts to be the most delicious sort when canned; juicy, and of fine flavour; medium.
- Ward's Late**—A large freestone peach, white flesh, rich, juicy, and excellent flavour; a popular and reliable variety.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

- Waterloo**—A medium-size peach, dark red, melting, and richly-flavoured; early.
- Wheatland**—A large yellow freestone. It ripens a little later than "Late Crawford," and is one of the hardiest of peaches, firm, juicy, and of good quality.
- Wiggins**—An early freestone of large size, and most highly coloured; ripens just after "Briggs' Red May" and before "Hale." Tree very hardy and prolific bearer; flesh very rich and juicy. Most valuable as a market peach.
- Wilder**—Rich red colour, fine flavour; early.
- Wilkin's Cling**—A seedling of "Heath Cling," and ripening at same time, largest size; flesh white, sugary, rich, and delicious.
- Yellow Mystery**—A large round yellow peach with crimson cheek. It is a handsome variety, with firm, luscious yellow flesh; tree vigorous and productive; medium.

NEW PEACHES.

PRICE—2/- each; 18/- per doz. (except those priced).

- Admiral Dewey**—A new early yellow-fleshed freestone, ripening with "Triumph;" skin deep orange-yellow, with crimson cheek; flesh clear yellow, juicy, melting, and of superb quality. A valuable addition to early yellow peaches.
- Akarana**—Large, round, most highly coloured and handsome; flesh sweet, sugary, and of most delicious peach flavour; a sure cropper, hardy and good grower, a valuable acquisition. Ripe middle to end of February.
- American Noblesse**—A yellow-fleshed peach of medium size; freestone; skin dark red, an ideal market peach; tree strong grower and heavy bearer, one of the best.
- Bell's October**—Large, rich yellow, with red cheek; freestone, of highest quality; very late.
- Black's Late**—A valuable late variety from Keri Keri; large, and of most handsome appearance; flesh firm, juicy, and of delicious peach flavour; tree exceedingly prolific.
- Duchess of Cornwall**—An early peach, ripening with "Alexander;" medium size, freestone; skin creamy yellow, with a red striped cheek; melting and delicious, with a distinct nectarine flavour; grows well and bears freely. *The Gardener's Magazine* of 4th August, 1900, says:—"A finer flavoured peach could not be desired, and we shall expect to find the 'Duchess of Cornwall' taking a leading position among early varieties." Price 2/6 each; 24/- per dozen.

NEW PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Hawkesbury Champion—This is the latest freestone peach of first-class quality, ripening from the middle of March to second week in April, and will keep twenty days after being picked if not bruised. The tree is a vigorous grower, and good, heavy cropper. The fruit is of a large and even size, and almost round. The ground colour is a greenish yellow, and almost covered with a rich rosy bloom, giving the fruit a beautiful appearance. Ripening at a time when the market is practically bare of first-class peaches, growers will be able to command their own price.

Hinemoa—Fruit of the largest size and most handsome appearance; clingstone; flesh white and of the most delicious flavour; tree hardy, vigorous, a sure and heavy bearer. Ripe middle to end of February.

Lemon Freestone—Large; pale yellow; in season from 20th March. Tree very productive; flesh rich clear yellow, without any red at the stone. A perfect freestone and good canner.

Lippiatts Late Cling—Another fine peach, ripe first week in April; colour creamy mottled, striped and overspread with dark red; fine flavour; tree a fine grower and an immense bearer.

Mahuta—Fruit of the largest size and most handsome appearance; a perfect freestone; flesh rich, deep yellow, and of superb quality. Resembles "Foster" in size, colour, flavour, and general appearance. Tree a hardy and sturdy grower, never fails to produce a full crop; in season end of February and early March. A magnificent peach.

Majestic—A yellow-fleshed peach of enormous size and great beauty, but only fair in quality, most suitable for preserving or canning; freestone, and a good bearer.

Maoriland—Produces fruit of the largest size and most showy appearance; flesh light and very delicate, and of delicious, sugary, and refined flavour; a perfect freestone, the stone being very small with a sharp point. Ripe middle to end of March, coming in at season when a good peach is much needed.

Paragon—A seedling from "Elberta," medium size, deep yellow, mottled with red when thoroughly ripe; very juicy and rich; clingstone.

Pullar's Cling—This very fine canning peach was raised by Mr. P. Pullar, of Ardmona. It is a very large, highly coloured clingstone peach, and preferred by the canning factories above all other sorts; it is a good grower and heavy bearer. Price 2/- each, 18/- per dozen, or £5 per 100.

Sea Eagle Improved—This is a great acquisition, being, as its name implies, an improved "Sea Eagle;" a larger peach, better colour, and more saleable in every way.

Surecrop—As the name denotes, a sure and abundant cropper; ripe middle of January; fruit large and handsome; flesh white, melting, and juicy; tree a vigorous grower and extremely hardy.

PEARS.

ALL ON SEEDLING STOCKS.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Bailey's Bergamot—A splendid pear, rich and melting; tree strong grower and very productive.

Bartlett—See "Williams' Bon Chretien."

Beurre Bosc—A large dessert pear of first-rate quality; medium.

„ **Bretonneau**—Large russet, with brownish red on the side next the sun; flesh white, juicy, and well flavoured; a late dessert pear, and good bearer.

„ **Brown**—An old favourite dessert pear; medium.

„ **Clairgeau**—A large pear of first quality; late.

„ **d'Anjou**—Large, melting and juicy; medium.

„ **de Capiaumont**—A first-class market pear, very prolific and hardy; medium.

„ **Diel**—Very large, often weighing 16 to 20 ounces; melting and excellent; a well known and excellent pear; late.

„ **de Mortillet**—A large and handsome fruit of obovate shape, 5 to 6 inches long. The flesh is white and pleasantly flavoured.

„ **Easter**—A good winter dessert pear; late.

„ **Fonqueray**—A large and handsome pear. The blossoms seem to resist spring frosts better than those of most varieties of French origin. The tree is a stout, sturdy grower, and heavy cropper. First-class certificates from the Royal Horticultural Society.

„ **Hardy**—An excellent large, melting pear; the tree remarkable for its beauty and vigour of growth; medium.

Bezi Mai—Large size and delicious flavour, a heavy and regular bearer, commencing to bear the third and fourth year, increasing rapidly in quantity of crop; strongly recommended for home and market use; late.

Black Achan—Large, one of the best cooking varieties; late.

Citron des Carmes—Melting and juicy; very early.

Clapp's Favourite—An American pear of highest excellence, ripens just before "Williams' Bon Chretien;" early.

Comte de Chambord—An excellent pear, large and good bearer; late.

Comte de Flandre—Large and excellent; late.

Conference ("Rivers")—Fruit large pyriform; skin dark green and russet; flesh salmon-coloured, melting, juicy, and rich; tree robust and hardy, making a strong healthy growth. Very prolific, and a valuable market sort.

Doyenne Bussoch—Melting and juicy, first-class; medium.

„ **du Comice**—Large, rich, and melting; medium.

„ **d'Ete**—Small, juicy, and richly flavoured; early.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Dr. Nelis—A small pear of first-class quality; medium.

Duchess d'Angouleme—Large, buttery, sometimes melting, fine flavour, in some places coarse grained; late.

Elizabeth Cole—Flesh very tender, buttery, melting, rich, and of honied sweetness; late.

Elizabeth Sophia—Medium size, short pyramidal, yellow and rich; medium.

Eyewood—A medium-sized pear; good bearer, and suited for export; medium.

Fertility ("Rivers")—Ripens same time as "Louise Bonne of Jersey;" large fruit of brilliant colour and high flavour. This tree is a vigorous and healthy grower, and most valuable for market. It has never failed to produce a crop, and cannot be recommended too highly.

Flemish Beauty—A splendred dessert pear; medium

Forelle—Medium size, lemon yellow and red on sunny side, melting, rich, sugary, and vinous flavour; late.

Gansell's Bergamot—One of the finest dessert pears; medium.

Gibling's Seedling—A favourite pear in Tasmania.

Howell—Fruit large, light waxen yellow, heavy bearer, following "Williams' Bon Chretien," a first-class market pear, and should be largely grown.

Huyshe's Prince Consort—A large pear of superior excellence, with a distinct flavour unlike any other pear; late.

Idaho—Large globular yellow, fine grained, buttery, and melting; late.

Japanese Golden Russet—A cooking pear, remarkable for early bearing; late.

Jargonelle—A well-known early pear.

Josephine des Malines—A most delicious pear, also one of the longest keeping sorts; late.

Keiffer's Hybrid—A very hardy and prolific variety, with a distinct pineapple flavour; late.

Koonce—Tree is a vigorous grower and heavy bearer. The very best early pear, and of great market value. Fruit golden yellow, with beautiful red cheek; does not rot at the core.

Krull—A late keeping variety, skin thick and strong, flesh firm until fully ripe, when it becomes melting, rich, and sweet.

Laffer's Bergamot—A new pear raised by Mr. George R. Laffer, of Belair, South Australia. Said to be cross between "Winter Nelis" and "Williams' Bon Chretien." It is a first-class Bergamot, medium to large size, good flavour, rich, melting, juicy; ripe in March.

Lawson—A dessert pear; crimson on bright yellow ground; juicy, pleasant, a good keeper and shipper; the largest early pear.

Le Comte—A variety of the "Sand," after the style of "Keiffer's Hybrid."

PEARS (CONTINUED).

- Le Lectier**—A grand new pear, which originated at Orleans (France), the result of a cross between "Williams' Bon Chretien" and "Bergamotte Fortune." Tall, erect, well shaped and vigorous, and regular bearer. Flesh fine, melting, very juicy, highly perfumed, without granulations. This variety is one of the very best of its season. Ripe end of April.
- Louise Bonne of Jersey**—Melting, very juicy and delicious; medium.
- Madam Cole**—A splendid late dessert variety.
- Madame Lang**—Fruit of medium size, roundish, obovate; skin smooth greenish yellow, covered with russet dots; flesh white, buttery, melting, sweet, and with a strong musky aroma. This is a seedling from "Josephine des Malines," and a prolific bearer.
- Marie Louise**—One of the best dessert; medium.
- Monchallard**—Large, bright yellow, shaded with red on the side next the sun; tender, melting, and very juicy; a first-class pear; early.
- Mount Vernon**—Large, nearly globular; colour rich cinnamon russet; flesh, juicy, melting, with a spicy vinous flavour which is peculiar and distinct from that of any other known sort; tree is a vigorous grower, and comes into bearing early; late.
- P. Barry**—Large, pyriform; skin orange yellow; flesh very juicy, buttery, fine, excellent flavour, and a long keeper. The raiser states that he has exhibited this variety in May (France); very late.
- Pitmaston Duchess**—A very handsome pear, of finest quality; medium.
- Seckle**—A small pear, sweet and rich; medium.
- Senateur Belle**—A seedling of "Easter Beurre." Very large and nice fruit; skin smooth, golden yellow; flesh fine, yellow, juicy, and highly perfumed; much recommended; late.
- Souvenir de Jules Guindon**—A seedling of "Easter Beurre," very large fruit; skin smooth, clear green, turning yellow a long time before ripening; flesh fine, rich, juicy, and highly perfumed; late.
- Tasman Bergamot**—A well-known pear in Tasmania.
- Triomphe de Jodoigne**—Fruit large, regular, and handsome; late.
- Uvedale's St. Germain**—Very large, a fine stewing pear; late.
- Vermont Beauty**—A beautiful new seedling pear; medium sized, roundish, skin yellow, nearly covered with carmine; flesh melting, sprightly and good; tree hardy, healthy, and very productive; a very handsome pear of great excellence.
- Vicar of Winkfield**—Large, melting, and very juicy; a very heavy bearer, and a good market pear; late.
- Wilder**—One of the earliest; good keeper and shipper; tree very vigorous; fruit medium, bell-shaped, pale yellow, with deep shading of brownish carmine; flesh whitish yellow, fine grained, tender; flavour sub-acid, sprightly, of good quality; very productive, probably the best early market pear.
- Williams' Bon Chretien**—Large, buttery, and melting; one of the finest summer pears grown; early.
- Winter Cole**—Melting, juicy, rich, and of exquisite flavour; a first-class pear; late.
- Winter Nelis**—One of the finest flavoured late dessert pears.

NEW PEARS.

PRICE—2/- to 2/6 each.

Beacon—A bright and handsome pear, ripening in January, flavour good; very prolific. 2/6 each.

Bergamotte Prince Rudolph d'Autriche—Medium to large size; skin smooth; colour pale green, turning to golden lemon when ripe; flesh very melting.

Bessamianka—The hardiest pear grown. Fruit medium sized, perfect pear shape, and nearly or quite seedless. Flesh, tender, juicy, mild, sub-acid, almost buttery; a good dessert pear; ripe early autumn.

Beurre Du Buisson—This is one of the best-flavoured pears in cultivation, coming in after "Marie Louise" is over, and the fruit grows to a great size under favourable circumstances, measuring to 4 inches in length and $2\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter. The shape is obtuse pyriform, colour of skin pale greenish yellow on the shaded side, sometimes marked with red where exposed to the sun, the whole surface covered with russet spots and veinings.

Bountiful—Fine flavour, rich, melting, and aromatic; immense cropper, fruit large; autumn. Price, 2/6 each.

Brockworth Park ("Bonne d'Ezée"?)—Large and very good. This pear is so much like the "Bonne d'Ezée" that it is hardly worth keeping distinct.

Duchesse d'Afrique—An enormously large pear of good keeping quality. Tree so far appears to be dwarf, growing with very short thick wood.

Fondante d'Automne—Large, a delicious melting pear; forms a compact ornamental pyramid on the quince; equally good on the pear stock as an orchard standard; medium.

Lady Clapp—Very large, beautiful fruit; skin pale yellow; flesh very juicy, sweet, vinous, first quality; ripens middle of March. 2/6 each.

Magnate—Fruit very large, pyriform; skin yellow and dark crimson, and brown streaked where exposed to the sun, very handsome; flesh yellow, melting, and juicy; medium.

Marquis—Flesh firm, melting, and very rich. The fruit has kept unchanged in quality for nearly three months; medium size; late.

Parrot—A Bergamot of brilliant colour, flesh melting and very good; hardy, an abundant bearer; good either for the garden or market; medium.

Red October—A very superior variety of "Beurre de Capiaumont;" bright brown, tinged with orange red; flesh delicate, smooth, and rich; an abundant bearer.

Seneca—A pear of fine quality; skin clear yellow, with a bright red cheek on one side; flesh juicy, melting, vinous. Ripens after "Williams' Bon Chretien."

Souvenir de President Carnot—A new French pear; fruit large and handsome; flesh very fine, juicy, and of delicious flavour. In season during March and April. 2/6 each.

NEW PEARS (CONTINUED).

Victor Hugo—A grand new pear, which ripens in March; fruit large, pyriform, and exceedingly showy; flesh tender, melting, juicy, and richly flavoured; the tree is remarkable for its robust, hardy, and symmetrical growth. One of the best varieties of recent introduction. Price 2/6 each.

PLUMS.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Angelina Burdett—Juicy, rich, and highly flavoured, purple; early.

Autumn Compote—A fine preserving plum; medium.

Blue Rock—Raised by Mr. Rivers, England. Large and very rich; one of the very best early dessert plums.

Brahy's Greengage—This is a very fine large greengage plum; late.

Bryanston Gage—Pale yellow, juicy, and sweet; medium.

Clyman—Dark purple, firm, and of delicious flavour. The principal merit of this variety lies in its earliness, which makes it profitable for market purposes long before other plums of this class.

Coe's Golden Drop—A splendid variety, large yellow; medium.

„ **Late Red**—Valued on account of its lateness; very late.

Damson, American—Small purple, juicy, sweet; early.

„ **Cole's Superior**—One of the best; late.

„ **Crittenden's**—Large, free bearer; late.

„ **French**—A small black plum, useful for preserving; late.

„ **King of the Damsons**—Very prolific and large, one of the best; medium.

„ **Rivers' Early**—A seedling from "St. Etienne" plum, a charming addition to damsons. Award of merit Royal Horticultural Society, England.

„ **Shropshire**—The best for jam; medium.

Decaisne—Large oval yellow; a rich dessert plum.

De Montford—A beautifully flavoured plum of the finest quality; early.

Diamond—Very large dark purple, splendid for preserving, and a heavy bearer; medium.

Duke of Edinburgh—A beautiful large red plum; medium.

Early Orleans—A fine early cooking plum.

Emerald—This plum originated here, and is evidently a seedling of "Yellow Magnum Bonum," which it resembles, but is a much freer grower and heavy regular bearer. It is one of the very best for jam or canning, much superior to its supposed parent; late.

Evans' Early—Medium black, covered with bright blue bloom; the earliest plum grown.

Goliath—A showy and good preserving plum; medium.

Grand Duke—Very large purple, richly flavoured, very productive; considered the best late plum grown.

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Grantville Seedling.

Greengage—A well-known delicious plum; medium.

Hill End—A large purple plum, much recommended by our friend the late Mr. Neilson.

Hulings' Superb—Fruit very large, roundish oval, greenish yellow, with a rich, brisk, sprightly flavour; medium.

Ickworth Imperatrice—Medium size, purple, firm, rich, and juicy; a good drying variety.

Jefferson—Large golden yellow, juicy and highly flavoured, one of the best; medium.

Kirk's—Large black, a very fine variety; medium.

Large Black Imperial—Very large, an excellent cooking plum, dark purple; medium.

Late Black Orleans—Reddish purple, good quality, and a great bearer; late.

Late Orange—Skin bright orange, covered with a heavy bloom, very rich and good.

Late Rivers—Below medium size, round, dark purple, almost black, juicy, rich and good; the latest good plum.

Late Transparent—Fruit large, round, greenish yellow, changing to purple according to exposure to sun; flesh firm, juicy, and like the preceding fully equal to the "Greengage;" stone very small. This is a very fine addition to the class of the "Transparent Gage," as it completes the season, ripening fully ten days after the "Transparent Gage." Tree of dwarf habit and an abundant bearer.

Lincoln—Very large; of reddish-purple colour, peculiarly attractive, quality best; tree very productive.

Lombard—Medium size, violet red, first class for preserves or dessert. This plum is said to take the lead for productiveness.

Magnum Bonum Red—A large red culinary plum.

Magnum Bonum Yellow—One of the best culinary plums, and a heavy and regular bearer; large yellow; late.

McLaughlin—A large delicious plum of the Greengage race, makes an excellent sweatmeat when dried.

Mirabelle—Oval, yellow, small, abundant bearer, and highly esteemed for preserving; the tree forms a beautiful pyramid; early.

Monarch—Fruit very large; roundish oval; dark purplish blue; free, stone; of excellent quality. Tree robust, and abundant bearer—trees three years from the graft bearing large crops of fine plums. A most valuable late market plum.

October Greengage—A first-class plum, regular and heavy bearer; late.

Oullin's Golden Gage—Rich yellow, first-class dessert.

Peach—Bright red, a fine dessert variety; early.

Pershire—Medium size; obovate; golden yellow. A well-known preserving plum.

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Pissardii—Small fruit of little value; foliage crimson purple, giving it a striking appearance as an ornamental tree.

Pond's Seedling—Large red, a good bearer, a first-class market plum; late.

Prince Engelbert—A fine large purple plum, good as dessert or cooking; medium.

Princess Alexandra—A large red plum; medium.

Prune, Bulgarian—Medium size, dark purple, sweet, and valuable for drying.

„ **d'Agen**—This is said to be the finest of all the prunes, large violet purple; medium.

„ **d'Ente**—A Californian variety.

„ **German**—A most valuable drying plum; medium.

„ **Giant**—First class in every way, as large as “Ponds” and very much superior in quality, two weeks earlier, and is of exquisite flavour. Flesh is honey-yellow and of remarkable sweetness, and so firm that it can be shipped almost any distance in good condition.

„ **Golden**—Fruit very large, light golden colour, exquisite flavour, dries beautifully, when dried 24 are said to weigh 1 lb. A strong grower and abundant bearer; one of the finest canning fruits known.

„ **Italian** (Fellemborg)—One of the best drying plums; medium.

„ **Mirabelle von Flotows**—A very large oval plum, somewhat resembling “Coe's Golden Drop,” to which it is equal in flavour, but is fit for use much earlier.

„ **Pacific**—Large size, dark purple, good bearer, tree very sturdy robust grower; a first-class prune.

„ **Pearl**—White, semi-transparent, with a heavy white bloom; flavour is of honied sweetness.

„ **Silver**—This plum is said to be a seedling from “Coe's Golden Drop,” but larger and more productive, and to be the best canning variety.

„ **Splendour**—Another magnificent prune raised from a seed of the “Prune d'Agen,” pollen of “Hungarian Prune.” The trees are perfection in growth and productiveness, and though having somewhat the appearance of “Petite d'Agen,” yet the branches are more sturdy, and with very little pruning naturally assume a uniform appearance much superior to either parent. As a combined drying, shipping, market, and table variety it has no rival. It is a perfect freestone, and ripens two weeks earlier than the “French Prune.”

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Prune, Sugar—This new prune is described as far superior to the "French Prune;" tree in every respect a better grower, and will carry and mature a larger crop of fruit. The fruit is even in size and very large, averaging thirteen to fifteen to the pound. "Sugar" prune is extremely early, yellow flesh, tender, and rich in sugar juice; analysis of the fresh fruit gives it as nearly one-fourth sugar. This variety is being planted in California by the thousand—a sufficient guarantee of its value.

„ **Tragedy**—Very large, purple; this is one of the finest early plums ever introduced, being as large as a "Diamond Plum," and ripening just before "Rivers' Early Prolific"; fruit sweet, and a first-class dessert variety. Should prove the best early market plum.

Red Cherry—A well-known early plum.

Reine Claude de Bavay—A most exquisite dessert plum of the Greengage type; late.

Reine Victoria—Very juicy, rich and agreeable, purple; late.

Rivers' Early Prolific—A medium-sized plum, very prolific; early.

Sultan—A culinary plum of great excellence, dark purple; early.

Superb—Large, round, purple plum of excellent flavour, a heavy and constant bearer, cannot be excelled for either dessert or culinary use.

The Czar—A large purple variety, very rich, an abundant bearer; a most valuable early market plum.

Washington—Large, roundish yellow, one of the best; medium.

Wilson's Yellow—Medium size, yellow, good bearer, and carries well; a seedling raised by Mr. F. Wilson, Doncaster.

Yellow Cherry—A well-known early plum.

JAPANESE PLUMS.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

This is a unique class of plum, of great beauty and productiveness. The fruit is exquisitely perfumed, and with a charming attractive bloom. The trees are exceedingly ornamental, and quite distinct from other varieties. The flesh is so firm and meaty that they can be safely shipped long distances, and kept in excellent condition. They are early prolific bearers, and well worthy of trial by the fruit growers.

Akarana—A new early plum, raised by Mr. J. F. Smith; a chance seedling which resembles "Botan." The tree is a most vigorous grower. The fruit ripens with the cherry plum, is of largest size, very firm in flesh, and will prove of exceptional value for the early markets.

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED).

America (Hybrid Plum)—Growth resembles the American plums, and is less robust than the Japanese; exceedingly prolific; fruit is of large size, colour glossy coral red, flesh yellow, moderately firm, and delicious.

Botan or Abundance—Very large, showy, and beautiful; amber, turning to rich bright cherry colour, with a white bloom; flesh yellow, juicy, tender, and of delicious sweetness impossible to describe; very early.

Burbank—Large size, nearly globular in shape; colour clear cherry-red, with a thin lilac bloom; flesh deep yellow, very sweet, with a peculiar and agreeable flavour; strong grower and a most wonderful bearer.

Chabot—This variety bears very young, is a strong grower and very prolific; fruit greenish purple, with orange-yellow flesh, and very solid; good for drying.

Chalco—The fruit, which ripens just before "Burbank," is large, flat like a tomato, deep reddish purple, with very sweet, somewhat firm, exceedingly fragrant yellow flesh, pit or stone small.

Climax—The fruit is heart-shaped, as large as "Wickson" and more highly coloured; delicious, and, above all, ripens extremely early, before any other good plum, and nearly a month before "Wickson."

Delaware—Fruit large, round, skin dark red, covered all over with a beautiful bloom; flesh firm, juicy, rich, and of a most agreeable flavour; season of ripening very late, after "Satsuma."

Early Yellow—Another of Mr. Luther Burbank's productions. Tree is an upright symmetrical grower, and extremely vigorous; fruit round, bright yellow, of most handsome appearance, even size, and splendid quality.

General Saigo—This variety somewhat resembles the apricot, being very distinct, fine, and productive.

Gold—This plum is a cross between the best American native plum and the Japanese, and said to be the best of its kind. Mr. Burbank writes:—"The 'Gold' tree always carries as much as it can hold of its handsome, luscious, golden globes."

Golden Heart—Fruit large, of a beautiful golden yellow; flesh sweet, tree vigorous, one of the best.

Hale—Fruit large, bright orange mottled with cherry red, superb in quality.

Hattonkio No. 1—A beautiful large yellow plum, firm and juicy, with a rich sugary flavour; ripe early in February.

Hattonkio No. 2—Medium size, yellow, changing to red when fully ripe; an enormous bearer; early.

Hay's Seedling—Tree hardy and a good grower; fruit round, skin dark purple, flesh yellow, firm, rich, juicy, and of exquisite flavour; ripens a week after "Burbank."

Juicy—A hybrid plum; the fruit is of medium size and perfect shape, skin thin and transparent, light yellow overlaid with scarlet. The tree is a hardy and luxuriant grower, with dwarfish habit.

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Kelsey—The fruit is very large, with a remarkably small stone. It is of excellent quality, melting, rich and juicy. As a dried fruit it is equal to, if not surpassing, the best dried prunes. Colour yellow, covered with red on the sunny side: late.

King Cole—Fruit of largest size, quite round; skin a fine clear carmine, flesh yellowish, with a fine vinous flavour; a very early variety, ripening ten days after "Abundance," and exceeding it in size.

Masu—Very prolific; fruit as large as "Botan," but later.

Mikado.

Nangate Red—A large, rich, and delicious variety.

Nikko—Raised by Luther Burbank. Very highly spoken of by the raiser.

October Purple—Another of Mr. Burbank's seedlings. It is a very large, purple, heart-shaped plum, with no splashes of lighter colour; flesh amber yellow, red beneath the skin, very juicy, but yet firm, sweet and of most delicious flavour; clingstone.

Ogan—A delicious plum, said to be one of the best; a good grower, and very prolific.

Okti Smomo—Medium to large; red, with a fine bloom; flesh yellow, very juicy and rich, of good flavour, and a heavy cropper.

Red Heart—A large red fruit, very prolific; a very fine plum for preserving; late.

Red June—The fruit is of large size and a beautiful fiery red colour; flesh firm and fair quality. The tree is very handsome, hardy, and a rapid grower.

Satsuma or Blood Plum—Large and almost globular; the colour is dark red from skin to stone; flesh firm, juicy, and of a rich spicy flavour; a first-class variety.

Simonii—Fruit of large size, flattened; skin covered with deep crimson or dull brick-red; flesh yellow, firm, with a peculiar flavour; tree a strong upright grower; keeps for a long time after gathering, its only quality.

Sultan—Large size, oval, deep purplish crimson. The flesh is remarkably firm, solid, sweet, and dark crimson in colour, beautifully clouded and shaded with light pink, salmon, and yellow; a cross between "Wickson" and "Satsuma."

Universal No. 2—A very early variety.

Wickson—The fruit from the time it is half-grown until a few days before ripening is of a pearly white colour; but all at once soft pink shadings creep over it, and in a few days it has changed to a glowing carmine, with a heavy white bloom; the stone is very small, and the flesh is of a fine texture, firm, sugary, and delicious; one of the best.

Yellow Gage—Very heavy bearer.

„ **Japan**—Large and excellent.

NEW JAPANESE PLUMS.

Combination—Raised by Luther Burbank, who describes it as a Japanese plum. The trees are unusually hardy; the bark, leaves, and fruit are all unique; early, regular, and abundant bearer of large, handsome, globular fruit of uniform size; flesh straw colour, extremely sweet, with a pronounced pineapple flavour; stone small. Each 2/-

Federation—Raised by R. H. Wright, Auckland, N.Z.—a cross between "Burbank" and "Wickson." The fruit, in size, shape, and colour, resembles the "Wickson," and in growth the tree is like an upright-growing "Burbank." It is quite as productive as "Burbank." Ripe second week in February. 2/- each.

First—Another new hybrid plum, of which Luther Burbank says: "It is the earliest of all plums." The fruit is of medium size, pale amber, faint blush on the sunny side, half transparent; flesh same colour, moderately firm, sweet, juicy, and good, especially when just at the right stage of ripeness; tree of medium growth. Each 2/-

Wright's Early—Raised by Mr. H. Wright, of New Zealand. The fruit is identical with the well-known "Burbank," the only difference being the season of ripening, and habit of growth being more erect, which is a point in its favour; it is without exception the earliest known variety. The raiser says: "Picking commenced about 5th December, finished about 18th December, considerably before any other variety; it is an enormous cropper, sixty-four plums matured on a yearling tree." Should this plum do as well here, it no doubt will be largely planted. Price, 2/- each.

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS.

PRICE—24/- per doz.

These are all of my own growing, and being well rooted should do much better than those imported from Japan.

The fruit of the Persimmon, when ripe, is of a deep reddish orange colour, in shape that of an orange, and some egg-shaped. The flavour, when perfectly ripe, is most luscious. It is best kept in a close jar after being picked, and is then most delicious. They ripen their fruit during winter, and in consequence furnish a valuable fruit for the table at a season when fruit is scarce.

Among—Fruit medium size, roundish; skin light orange; flesh brownish. An early variety which is edible from the tree.

Apple-Shaped—Medium size, ripens well on the tree.

Carrington—A local seedling from New South Wales, of considerable merit.

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS (CONTINUED).

Dai Dai Maru—Very large, square or four sided, deep orange, almost seedless; early.

Flat Ribbed—Often seedless, a heavy cropper and strong grower.

Gibio Shin—This is said to be one of the best introduced, and is much in the way of "Nightingale's Seedless," but ripens later. It is very large and conical, flesh slightly dark, seedless.

Goshu Maru—Large, round, and free bearer.

Ha Rogoky.

Haycheya (Red Seedless)—Very large, oblong, and a heavy cropper.

Hyakumo—Very large, oblong; early.

Jubilee—A very fine variety, raised in New South Wales; large, square-shaped, picked when ripening and stored; late.

Kurokumo—Medium sized, almost round, good flavour, can be eaten off the tree.

Myodina.

Nightingale's Seedless—The best of the lot, fruit slightly conical, a great size, no seeds. The tree has a tendency to bear too heavily; early.

Nina.

Nitari—Beautiful coloured, flat, square-shaped fruit, somewhat similar to "Dai Dai Maru."

Odsaru.

Onshiu.

Sago Maru.

Seedless—Large fruited, very fine.

Sugar Loaf—This is a valuable persimmon on account of its ripening late. The fruit is rich dark red, long and conical, and hangs well.

Tanenachi (Yellow Seedless)—Fruit of the largest size, conical, bright yellow with yellow flesh; a first-class variety.

Tsuro Gaki—Good-sized conical fruit, dark red, ripening late, delicious flavour.

Tsuro Magari—Tree vigorous and abundant bearer, peculiar shaped fruit, very richly flavoured, and may be eaten from the tree.

Williams' Seedless—Round, flat, medium; a very heavy cropper when in bearing state, does not bear in a young state; wood upright; early.

Yeddo-Ischi—Fruit medium size, roundish, skin light yellow. A late variety, and perhaps the best if allowed to become soft.

Yemon—Large, round, rather flattened, seedless; one of the very best; can be eaten off the tree.

Zenji-Maru—Fruit small, round, skin deep orange; flesh brownish. May be eaten from the tree.

QUINCES.

PRICE—12/- per doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Angers—A dwarf-growing variety.

Apple—Medium size, very prolific.

Bourgeat—A new variety from U.S.A., described as one of the finest quinces ever offered; one of the best quality; tender; ripens just after the "Orange," and keeps till past midwinter. The fruit is very large, rich golden colour, smooth velvety skin, and has so far proved to be free from leaf-blight.

Champion—Fruit very large, smooth, handsome, and regularly formed; tree very productive, bearing abundantly when quite young; early.

Fuller—Regular bearer, strong grower; the fruit ripens early, is of the largest size, pyriform in shape, a clear bright lemon-yellow colour, highly flavoured and tender.

Hertfordshire.

Hong Kong.—An extraordinary fruit of immense size, often weighing over 2 lbs.; foliage distinct, changing to red in the autumn, flowers red; of no commercial value as a fruit.

Master's Early—A very fine early variety.

Meeche's Prolific—Large, with smooth, fine skin of orange-yellow; flesh fragrant, delicious, tender, and unsurpassed for cooking; ripens just after "Champion."

Missouri Mammoth—The fruit grows to enormous size, with smooth skin and even outline, quite free from undulations about the eye; of a mild, pleasant flavour, and unsurpassed for cooking. The tree is a luxuriant grower, and bears enormously; a first-class variety.

Pear-shaped—Very large; medium size.

Portugal—A very large late quince.

Rea's Mammoth—Very large, early, and fine colour.

Van Deman—Seedling of "Portugal." The fruit is of most superb flavour, texture and quality for all purposes that quinces are used; it is said to be the best of all, and a very heavy and early bearer. It received the Wilder Medal at a meeting of the American Pomological Society in October, 1891.

NEW QUINCES.

Pineapple—Fruit medium size; clear golden yellow; makes a superior jelly, and is said to cook as tender in five minutes as the best cooking apple, possessing a most exquisite and delicious flavour. 2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

Smyrna—The tree is a rapid, strong grower, and immensely prolific; commences to bear the second year from the bud; the fruit is very large and of lovely yellow lemon colour, presenting a fine appearance. The flesh when cooked is very tender, having a delicious flavour. The fruit ripens in April, and will keep for a long time. 2/- each.

FIGS.

PRICE—1/6 each; 15/- per doz.

Adam	Doree	St. Dominique
Black Ischia	La Royale	Violette
Black Provence	Large Black Genoa	White Adriatic
Brown Ischia	Marseillaise	White Genoa
Brown Turkey	Pallane	White Ischia
Brunswick	Smyrna	White Provence
Castle Kennedy		

ORANGES, LEMONS, ETC.

PRICE—2/6 each; 24/- per doz.

Blood or Maltese—Fruit medium size, flattened; skin deep red, filled with an abundance of deep red juice; a good grower, and ripens early.

Charley Baker—This orange received from Queensland, where it gained great reputation for quality of fruit and general productiveness.

Homossassa—Medium size, bright colour, skin smooth, sweet and juicy; keeps and carries well.

Jaffa—Fruit large, nearly seedless, oval, thick skin; tree thornless, with large green foliage; said to be a great bearer.

Joppa—Probably one of the best of the recent introductions from California; tree of strong growth, and very productive; fruit of nice size, and of the very best quality.

Mandarin, Beauty of Glen Retreat—For extreme beauty, high flavour and productiveness it is not surpassed by any other variety, and cannot be too highly recommended.

Mandarin, Canton—Fruit medium sized, quite flat, skin pale yellow; abounding in juice of a rich, high flavour; a strong upright grower and very prolific.

Mandarin, Emperor—The largest of the "Mandarins"; skin almost red, and loosely attached; flesh very juicy, but not so highly flavoured as "Thorny Mandarin"; the most profitable for market.

Mandarin, Thorny—Fruit medium size, quite flat; flesh very juicy; the best flavoured of all the "Mandarins," and an immense bearer.

Mediterranean Sweet—Remarkable for its early bearing and late ripening; splendid flavour; one of the most esteemed in California.

Oonshi—New seedless orange from Japan; a very hardy tree, said to stand frost well; pendulous habit, no seeds; flesh firm, thin skin; midway between an orange and a mandarin in size. This orange has fruited here, it is a heavy bearer, and is the only one that is really good in cool districts; highly recommended.

ORANGES AND LEMONS (CONTINUED).

Paper Rind St. Michael—A very highly-esteemed fruit in the Californian market; fruit middle size, of a deep yellow colour; tree vigorous grower.

Parramatta—Fruit large size, round, skin deep yellow, flesh very juicy, and when trees attain age fruit is of splendid quality; perhaps the best for market from its hardness and productiveness.

Seville—Fruit large size, roundish, rather flattened, very solid; the best variety for marmalade.

Siletta—Fruit large size, flattened; skin pale yellow, very smooth and thin; abounding in juice; hardy and an enormous bearer.

St. Michael—Fruit of largest size; skin deep yellow, smooth and thin; very juicy, but few seeds; hardy, and most profitable market variety.

Teneriffe—Large size, very thin skin and weighty, light yellow colour, sweet and richly flavoured; the earliest of all oranges to ripen, and considered to be one of the most valuable for export.

The Queen—Large, round; skin thin and deeply coloured; splendid flavour and good cropper; a first-class variety.

Valencia Late—Large, oblong, and firm. This orange is very late in ripening, and valuable on that account, as it would be marketable when other varieties are done.

Washington Navel—This is in all respects equal or superior to the "Bahia Navel," but, unlike that variety, it is a good cropper; in California considered to be the best of all oranges. I have seen quite small trees of this variety in Sydney loaded with most beautiful fruit.

Lemon, Eureka—Very like the "Lisbon," but trees almost thornless.

Lemon, Genoa—Very large fruit, without thorns, good grower.

Lemon, Heong Leong—Fruit of large size but coarse, full of juice, and not equal to "Lisbon" in flavour.

Lemon, Lisbon—A well-known variety, and probably the best of all.

Lemon, Lisbon Thornless—Fruit larger than "Lisbon," and a little coarser; tree a spreading and vigorous grower.

Lemon, Lisbon Variegata—Leaves beautifully variegated; fruit small, similar to "Lisbon," but inferior.

Lemon, Villa Franca—Claimed to be chiefly a summer-bearing lemon, and on that account very valuable. It is a strong, vigorous grower, with few thorns; fruit oblong, thin skinned and firm, adjudged by the Americans to be the best shipping variety.

Lime, East Indian—Large and prolific.

Lime, Persian or Sweet—Hardy, and of pleasant flavour.

Lime, Tahitian—A strong grower and heavy cropper; fruit nearly the size of a "Lisbon Lemon"; exceedingly thin rind; juicy and nearly seedless; for hot districts considered superior to the lemon; cannot be too highly recommended.

ORANGES AND LEMONS (CONTINUED).

- Lime, West Indian**—Small and excellent, best for limejuice.
Citron, Bengal—Fruit very large, round, and useful for preserving.
Citron, Knight's—Fruit large, oblong, thick skinned, sweet, good for candied peel.
Citron, Common—Fruit long pointed.
Citron, Lyman—Fruit said to be superior to varieties grown before in these colonies, the rind being sweet and edible when ripe, making a most delicious conserve.
Shaddock, Blood—Very large, sweet juice, excellent for preserving.
Shaddock, Common—Very large fruit, of highly acid juice.
Shaddock, Java—Fruit very large, sour juice.

MEDLARS.

- Common**—Each 1/6. **Monstrous**—Each 2/-
Dutch—Each 2/- **Nottingham**—Each 2/-

MULBERRIES.

- Black English**—A well-known variety; the best of all. 24/- per doz.
Downing's Ever-bearing—Fruit very large, measuring $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches long, very juicy, with an agreeable flavour; ripens its fruit gradually during several weeks; an enormous cropper. 2/6 each.
Hick's Ever-bearing—Produces its fruit continuously during three months; fruit of large size, very juicy, with a fine acidulous flavour. 2/6 each.
White—The leaves of this are used for feeding silkworms. 12/- per dozen.

GRAPE VINES.

PRICE—6/- per doz.

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| Black Frontignan | Crystal |
| Black Hamburg | Daira (Almeria) |
| Black Malaga | Doradilla |
| Black Muscat | Duchess of Buccleugh |
| Black Prince | Duke of Buccleugh |
| Black St. Peter's | Golden Champion |
| Buckland's Sweetwater | Grand Turk |
| Centennial | Green's Early |
| Cornelian | Gros Colmer |

GRAPE VINES (CONTINUED).

Lady's Finger	Red Malaga
Lady's Down's Seedling	Red Prince
Madresfield Court Black Muscat	Royal Ascot
Malaga Muscatel	Royal Muscadine
Mrs. Prince's Black Muscat	Sultana
Muscat of Alexandria	Sweetwater
Muscat Gordo Blanco	Temperano
Muscat Hamburg	Waltham Cross
Raisin des Dames	White Morillion
Red Frontignan	Zante Currant

GOOSEBERRIES.

PRICE—4/- to 6/- per doz.; 25/- per 100.

Alma (white)	Heart of Oak (green)	Red Ocean (red)
Billy Dean (red)	High Sheriff (yellow)	Repeal (green)
Bright Venus (white)	Keen's Seedling	Ricardo (red)
Clayton (red)	(red)	Rifleman (red)
Conquering Hero	Keepsake (white)	Roaring Lion (red)
(red)	Lady Leicester	Rockwood (yellow)
Crown Bob (red)	(white)	Royal Oak (green)
Dan's Mistake (red)	Leveller (yellow)	Smiling Beauty
Dobson's Seedling	Lions Provider (red)	(white)
(green)	Lord Crew (green)	Snowball (white)
Drill (yellow)	Marlborough (red)	Superb (yellow)
Dublin (yellow)	Ostrich (white)	Trumpeter (yellow)
Early Sulphur	Ploughboy (red)	Turnout (yellow)
(yellow)	Postman (white)	Warrington (red)
Gill's Seedling	Prettyboy (yellow)	White Lion (white)
(green)	Queen of Sheba	Whitesmith (white)
Gunner (yellow)	(white)	Yellow Lion (yellow)

CURRANTS.

PRICE—4/- to 6/- per doz.

Bertyn's No. 9 (red)	Lee's Prolific (black)
Black Grape	North Star (new), 1/- each
Black Naples	Red Cherry
Carter's Black Champion	Red Imperial
Chenanceau (red)	White Dutch
Dunnett's Champion (black)	White Imperial
Fay's Prolific (red)	White La Versailles
Laing's Mammoth (red)	Wilmot's White
La Versailles (red)	

NUTS AND FILBERTS.

PRICE—1/6 each.

Cosford	Webb's Prize	Daviana
Kentish Cob	" "	Exhibition
Red Filbert	" "	Red Skinned
Webb's Prize Cobb	" "	White Skinned

WALNUTS.

Black (*Juglans Nigra*). 2/- each.

Common—A well-known variety. Per dozen, 12/- to 18/-

Dwarf Prolific—This is a very fine variety, fruiting much earlier than the "Common." Per dozen, 18/- to 24/-

Hickory (*Carya Sulcata*). 2/- each.

Japanese (*Juglans Sieboldi*)—A hard-shelled nut, good flavour, and heavy bearer; this is a very beautiful ornamental tree. 2/- each, or 18/- per dozen.

Japanese (*Juglans Sieboldi Cordiformis*)—Similar to above, but nut much harder and heart-shaped. 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Pecan Nut—This is largely grown in America, and comes into bearing in from eight to ten years from seeds; it bears regular and heavy crops. Nuts long, thin-shelled; flesh oily, and of fine flavour. Price, 2/6 each.

SPANISH CHESTNUTS.

Common—Per dozen, 18/- to 24/-

Paragon—Hardy, productive, large, and of excellent quality. 3/6 each.

Superb—Fruit fine, and an early bearer. 3/6 each.

RASPBERRIES.

Brinkle's Orange—2/- per dozen.

Cornwell's Yellow—2/- per dozen.

Cuthbert (Queen of the Market)—This variety is more largely grown for market purposes than any other red raspberry in America. It is a sturdy grower, and does not require tying or staking. Fruit medium size, good flavour. 2/- per dozen.

Fastolf—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

RASPBERRIES (CONTINUED).

- Franconia**—A first-class red raspberry; fruit very large, of good flavour, and a strong grower; about two weeks earlier than "Northumberland Fillbasket." 2/6 per dozen.
- Golden Queen**—A seedling from "Cuthbert," resembling that variety in hardiness and vigorous growth. A most abundant bearer, producing fruit of the largest size and delicious flavour; colour beautiful yellow. 2/- per dozen.
- Imperial**—A strong growing variety after the style of "Cuthbert"; fruit large, red, and fine. 2/6 per dozen.
- Northumberland Fillbasket**—The best of all raspberries for all purposes; fruit very large, and heavy bearer. 7/6 to 10/- per 100. Special quotation per 1000.
- Northumberland Fillbasket, Thornless**—This is exactly the same in fruit and foliage as "Northumberland Fillbasket," but the canes are entirely free from thorns, being perfectly smooth. This should prove a great advantage and labour-saving in tying them up, and they must become a favourite variety with raspberry growers. 2/6 per dozen, or 10/- per 100.
- Semper Fidelis**—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.
- Superlative (Laxton)**—This is an English-raised variety, and considered in that country to be one of the very best raspberries in cultivation. 3/6 per dozen.
- Yellow Antwerp**—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

BLACKBERRIES, ETC.

- Crandell's**—This variety blooms all throughout the winter months, but so far I have not found the fruit of much use. 6/- per dozen.
- Himalayan**—A very strong grower, with very large fruit; heavy bearer; one of the best. 9/- per dozen.
- Italian Cut-leaved**—This variety has most beautiful foliage in the autumn, and very fair fruit. 6/- per dozen.
- Lawton's**—This is perhaps the best of all for market; it grows more like a raspberry, the bearing cane dying each year. With plenty of moisture the fruit is very large, and an enormous cropper. 6/- per dozen, or 20/- per 100.
- Lucretia Dewberry**—A new trailing blackberry, bearing large luscious berries in the greatest profusion. 6/- per dozen.
- Mammoth**—Raised by Judge J. H. Logan, of Santa Cruz, California, and rightly named "Mammoth" on account of the enormous size of its fruits. This, together with its productiveness, earliness, length of time in bearing, good flavour, and excellence for dessert or cooking, makes it one of the best berries either for home or market use. 1/6 each.

BLACKBERRIES, ETC. (CONTINUED).

Wilson's Junior—Rather smaller fruit than "Lawton's," which it resembles, but ripens much earlier. 6/- per dozen.

Japanese Golden Mayberry (*Rubus incisus*)—A strong-growing variety of the bramble class, with very pretty, much-divided foliage, large bell-shaped pendulous blossom, followed by large, sweet, luscious berries of a golden colour. 6/- per dozen.

Japanese Wineberry—The fruit is similar to a raspberry in shape; colour bright glossy scarlet; sweet, juicy, and of agreeable flavour; strong grower, and quite an ornamental shrub. This tree is only good in cool, moist districts. 9d. each, or 6/- per dozen.

Gregg—The largest and best of all the "Black Caps"; fruit firm, dark purple, with heavy bloom; an abundant bearer. 12/- per dozen.

The Logan Berry—This fruit, which appears to be a cross between a cultivated red raspberry and a variety of Californian wild blackberry, was grown by Judge J. H. Logan, of Santa Cruz, Cal., from seed, in 1894. The fruit is sometimes an inch and a quarter long, the shape of a blackberry, the colour of a dark red raspberry, and a combination of the flavours of both. 1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

OLIVES.

PRICE—2/- each; 18/- per doz.

The following are the commercial Olives for oil-producing purposes:—

Black Italian	Large Fruiting
Boquettier	Lucca
Early Blanquet	Salouen
Frontoiana (<i>Lucca</i>)	Picholene
Grosse Rendounow	Verdale
Late Blanquet	

MISCELLANEOUS FRUITS, ETC.

Berberry (*Berberis vulgaris*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Guava (*Psidium cattleianum*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Juneberry (*Amelanchier Canadensis*)—2/- each.

Loquat (*Eriobotrya Japonica*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Loquat, Herd's Mammoth—1/6 each.

Passion Fruit (*Passiflora edulis*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Pomegranate (*Punica granatum*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

Sweet Bay (*Lauris nobilis*)—1/- each 9/- per dozen.

STRAWBERRIES.

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| Arthur—2/- doz. | Oscar—2/- doz. |
| Bidwell—2/- doz., or 5/- per 100 | Pink's Prolific—2/- doz., 5/- 100. |
| Comte de Paris—2/- doz. | Red Alpine—2/- doz., 5/- 100. |
| Early White—2/- doz. | Royal Sovereign—3/- doz., 10/- 100. |
| Edith Christy—2/6 per 100. | |
| Gandy—2/- doz. (new). | Sir Joseph Paxton—2/- doz. |
| La Chalonnaise—2/- doz. | Stirling Castle Pine—2/- doz. |
| La Marguerite—2/6 per 100, or 15/- per 1000. | Trollope's Victoria—2/6 100. |
| | White Chilian—2/6 100. |

NEW STRAWBERRY.

Melba—This is without exception the best strawberry that has come under my notice. The fruit is large, brilliant red, and of the best flavour; when grown in good land, with plenty of moisture, it will bear good crops from beginning of November to May. As the young runners commence to fruit as soon as well rooted, they should be left, making beds, say 3 feet wide, grown into a solid mass. Although the fruit is covered with foliage, it will still be fully coloured. I would strongly recommend this variety to strawberry growers. "Melba" bore good crops this season, where all other varieties failed. Price, 2/6 per dozen; 7/6 per 100; 50/- per 1000.

RHUBARB.

- Early Albert**—A fine early, medium-size rhubarb. 9/- per dozen.
- Hogan's Shillelah**—Very hardy and prolific, large, and of good quality. 9/- per dozen.
- Johnston's St. Martin's**—A fine large variety, of good flavour. 9/- per dozen.
- Myatt's Linnaeus**—Very early and prolific, flavour all that can be desired; a valuable variety for general use. 9/- per dozen.
- Stott's Monarch**—This is the largest rhubarb grown; the leaves and stems are of enormous size. 18/- per dozen.
- Top's Winter**—This is a most valuable variety, as it furnishes a large quantity of stems of very fine flavour and colour all through the winter months, when fruit is scarce. 9/- per dozen.
- Topp's Winter Improved**—Similar to the above, but a more erect grower. 9/- per dozen.
- Wilson's Winter**—This variety differs from other winter varieties. It has stouter and shorter stalks, which are of a bright scarlet their entire length, of good flavour. 9/- per dozen.

ORNAMENTAL TREES

For Shade and Street Planting.

- Acer Colchicum rubrum**—2/6 each.
 „ „ **viridis**—2/6 each.
 „ **Negunda**—1/6 each.
 „ **Platanoides** (Sycamore)—12/- per dozen.
 „ „ **purpurea**—2/- each.
 „ „ „ **Reitenbachi**—2/6 each.
 „ **Saccharinum** (Sugar Maple)—2/- each.
 „ **Virginicum heterophylla**—2/6 each.
 „ „ **rubrum**—2/6 each.
 „ **Vieri laciniata**—2/6 each.
Ash, English (*Fraxinus excelsior*)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Golden** (*Fraxinus aurea*)—2/- each.
 „ **White** (*Fraxinus alba*)—1/6 each.
Beech, Common (*Fagus sylvatica*)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Purple**—2/6 each.
 „ **Purple** (Grafted)—3/6 each.
 „ **Tricolour**—3/6 each.
Birch (*Betula alba*)—18/- per dozen.
Californian Chestnut (*Pavia Californica*)—1/6 each.
Carya Sulcata (Hickory)—18/- per dozen.
Calycanthus Præcox—18/- per dozen.
Carpinus Betulus (*Hornbeam*), 18/- per dozen.
Catalpa Speciosa—1/6 each.
English Laurel (*Lauro-cerasus*)—9/- per dozen.
Elms, Canadian—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Chichester**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Cork**—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Crispum** (Crested Elm)—2/- each.
 „ **English**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Huntingdon**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Montana Major**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Monumentalis**—2/- each.
 „ **Purple**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Umbraculifera** (New)—3/6 each.
 „ **Viminalis Variegata**—2/- each.
Ginkgo Biloba (*Syn.* “*Salisburia Adiantifolia*”)—18/- per dozen.
Gleditschia Triacanthos—1/6 each.
Horse Chestnut—18/- to 24/- per dozen.
Laburnum (*Cytisus Laburnum*)—12/- per dozen.
Liquidambar Styracifolia—1/6 each.

ORNAMENTAL TREES (CONTINUED).

- Liriodendron Tulipiferum** (Tulip Tree)—18/- per dozen.
Melia Azederach (White Cedar)—18/- per dozen.
Mountain Ash (*Sorbus aucuparia*)—18/- per dozen.
Oaks, English (*Quercus robur*)—£5 to £7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Hodgensii** (Evergreen)—2/6 each.
 „ **Purple** (*Quercus purpurea*)—2/6 each.
 „ **Scarlet** (*Quercus coccinea*)—18/- per dozen.
 „ „ (*Quercus pallustris*)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Turkey** (*Quercus cerris*)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **White** (*alba*)—1/6 each.
Pinus Insignis—12/- per dozen.
Planes, Oriental—£5 to £7/10/- per 100.
Populus Alba (Silver Poplar)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Bolleana** (Silver Poplar)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Canadensis Aurea Van Geerti**—New, small, 2/6 each.
 „ **Dilitata** (Upright Poplar)—Small, 12/- per dozen.
 „ **Macrophylla** (Ontario Poplar)—18/- per dozen.
Privet (Evergreen)—7/6 per 100.
Purple-leaved Filbert (*Corylus avellana purpurea*)—2/- each.
Rhus Succedaneum—18/- per dozen.
Robinia Bessoniana—1/6 each.
 „ **Decaisneana**—2/- each.
 „ **Neo Mexicana**—2/- each.
 „ **Pseudo-acacia**—1/- each; 75/- per 100.
 „ **Rozynskiana**—2/- each.
Tilia Europea (Lime or Linden)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Platophylla**—2/6 each.
 „ **Spectabilis**—2/6 each.

LILACS (*Syringa*).

1/6 each.

Arthur William Paul	Maurice de Vilmorin
Belle de Nancy	Marechal de Bassompierre
Charles Baltet	Negro
Condorcet	Othello
Docteur Masters	Prince de Beauvau
Edouard Andre	Toussaint Louverture
Georges Bellair	Varina le Progress
Grand Duc Constantin	Volcan
Louis Henry	William Robinson
Madame Abel Chatenay	

PEACHES (Double Flowering).**PRICE—18/- per doz.**

Double White	Double Splendens
„ Crimson	„ Versicolor
„ Pink	

CHERRIES (Double Flowering).**PRICE—1/6 each.**

French (Double White).

Japan (in nine varieties), semi-double, varying in colour from pure white to crimson.

HAWTHORN (Double and Single Flowering).**PRICE—1/6 each.**

Double Crimson	Double White
„ Pink	Single Scarlet

PRICE—2/- each.

Aria Chrissophylla	Korolkow
Chlorosarca	Layi
Cordata	Mexicana
Douglassi	Tanacetifolia Orientalis

ARTICHOKES.

Globe, Large Green—6/- per dozen.

„ Large Purple—6/- per dozen.

Jerusalem, Sutton's White—15/- per sack.

Seakale—6/- per dozen.**TABLE** showing the Number of Plants required for an Acre of Land.

Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.	Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.	Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.
Feet.		Feet.		Feet.	
30	48	16	169	8	680
28	55	15	193	7	889
26	64	14	222	6	1201
24	75	13	257	5	1742
22	90	12	302	4	2722
20	100	11	360	3	4840
19	120	10	435	2	10,890
18	134	9	537	1	43,560
17	150				

From the "Australasian Nurseryman," March, 20th 1904.

A Great Australian Nursery.

THE GEMBROOK NURSERIES, Emerald, Victoria, Australia, undoubtedly lead the world for quantities grown and acreage. In 1903 we said that we doubted if France could find a fruit tree nursery so extensive. Since our remarks, Mr. T. Horton, of New Zealand, has visited Europe, and he writes as follows:—

"I visited the leading nurseries in England, Ireland, Scotland, France, etc., but I saw nothing to compare with the GEMBROOK NURSERIES in the stock of fruit trees kept."

This testimony certainly proves the truth of our 1903 statement.

Mr. C. A. Nobelius, the genial proprietor, informs us that he has a larger stock than ever, and that he can quote many varieties by the 25,000 each.

In export lines the largest quantities are held. Export has a big future, and there is room for the planting of thousands of acres of export varieties of apples and pears. We say pears because the future export will succeed with these. Mr. Nobelius forwarded "Vicar of Winkfield" pears to London in 1903. They were packed and wrapped as are apples, and realised 15/- a case.

This is testimony enough as to the future of the pear industry. Undoubtedly, we agree with Mr. Nobelius when he states that "commercial orchards are wanted."

A large area, 241 acres, giving a frontage to the railway line of two miles, has been secured, and in less than ten months, forty acres of this has been planted to nursery stock, which will be saleable next season. Another fifty acres of this will be planted next season to nursery stock. This will make a total new area of ninety acres under stock. This is, of course, additional to the usual hundred acres; most of this is still under nursery stock, and part of it will be planted to export apples and pears.

To show the extent of saleable fruit trees—the varieties "Jonathan," "Cleopatra," "Scarlet Nonpareil," and "Sturmer" (4), total 100,000.

Three-quarters of a million (750,000) saleable trees of all varieties, as catalogued, are on hand for customers.

Oriental palms, saleable, 10,000; exceedingly fine stuff, eight feet high. These are good trade value.

Apples are held in about two hundred varieties, and in leading varieties 25,000 of each. "Scarlet Nonpareil" is held for the Tasmanian trade mostly.

New apples are "Aker," a Swedish apple of high quality; "Cardinal;" "Carlton," raised from "Northern Spy," and blight proof; "Climax," blight proof and good description; "Foster," raised by W. N. Foster, Neerim South, use in February, before "Jonathan," will prove best early export apple; and twelve other new varieties are listed.

Cherries, in all sixty varieties. New ones being "Noble," a large dark red, F.C.C., England; and four other new varieties.

Nectarines, twenty-three varieties.

Peaches, one hundred and seven varieties. In new peaches, 13 varieties, including "Hawkesbury Champion," ripening middle March to second week in April. Will keep twenty days after picking.

Pears, sixty-four varieties. Fifteen new varieties include "Laffer's Bergamotte," a cross between "W.B.C." and "Winter Nelis." Raised by Mr. Laffer, S.A.

All other fruits are catalogued, also ornamental trees in Ash, Beech, Birch, Elms, Oaks, Planes, etc., in large quantities.

Taking a general survey of the nursery stock, it shows a fine even growth, and the new piece of forty acres is quite a picture in itself, with its rows and rows of well grown stuff. At this location Mr. Nobelius intends to have a siding to the railway which runs along this new ninety-acre nursery, with the object of saving time and labour in forwarding trees. It is expected that it will be in use by 1905 season.

It is worth a little inconvenience to visit this nursery and watch the process of budding, where seven men are budding and seven men are tying in the buds, with one man superintending the work to make sure that it is thoroughly done.

Mr. Nobelius is greatly assisted by his two sons who have expert knowledge of the business.

In conclusion, we are thoroughly impressed with this "Nursery in the Hills," and consider that it is the "Fruit and Forest Tree Nursery of the Southern Hemisphere."

Since the above Report was published, the New Nursery has been extended to 150 acres.

Extract from "The Age," 18th November, 1905.

THE GEMBROOK NURSERIES.

A VICE-REGAL VISIT.

A VICE-REGAL and Parliamentary party paid a visit to the Fern Tree Gully and Gembrook districts yesterday, at the invitation of Mr. Keast, representative of the district in the Legislative Assembly. Included in the party were His Excellency Sir Reginald Talbot and Miss Stuart-Wortley, attended by Captain Buxton, A.D.C.; the Chief Secretary, Sir Samuel Gillott; the Minister of Lands, Mr. Murray; the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Swinburne, and Mrs. Swinburne; the Speaker, Mr. F. Madden; Messrs. Keast, G. H. Bennett, Elmslie, Boyd, Watt, Fairbairn, and Beazley, M's.L.A., and several ladies. Subsequently Cr. Kerr, president of Fern Tree Gully shire, joined the party.

At Emerald an inspection was made of Mr. C. A. Nobelius's fine nurseries. Fifteen years ago Mr. Nobelius, with his wife and a young family, settled in the district, and out of the virgin forest cleared a large area on the hill slopes, and started what has become a nursery of considerable magnitude. At the present time he has 150 acres cultivated as a nursery for fruit trees, and 180 acres as a permanent orchard. Altogether on the nursery lands he has nearly a million and a quarter of young trees, principally apples, pears, plums, peaches, apricots, and cherries. From small beginnings Mr. Nobelius has established a wide reputation, the young trees from his nurseries finding a place in the orchards not only of the Commonwealth and New Zealand, but of South Africa and America. From Mr. Nobelius's residence, which stands on the brow of a hill, a commanding view is obtained of the surrounding district, stretching away to the Warburton Ranges, Healesville, and the Yarra Gap. His Excellency, in replying to the toast of his health after lunch had been served, said that at the dinner recently given by Mr. Knox, M.P., a great deal had been said about what constituted the prosperity of men

engaged in trade and commerce, and it had been universally admitted that the quality of integrity was the one that conduced to make British commerce take a place ahead of all other nations in the world. That day they had a very fair example of what could be done by energy, enterprise, perseverance, courage, and, above all, integrity. Mr. Nobelius was known all over the world as a man who supplied exactly what he offered to supply. No sample was required. Nothing he supplied needed a trade mark—not even a trade union label. (Laughter and applause.) When they saw that fine nursery, which produced more than all the nurseries of Australia and New Zealand, they must marvel at what Mr. Nobelius had done. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. F. Madden, in proposing the health of The Host and Hostess, said it required a man with the heart of a lion to take up land as Mr. Nobelius had done, far from road or rail, and subdue the wilderness. He had converted bush and scrub into a magnificent nursery. He had done more, for the name of Nobelius was widely known to be synonymous with honesty and absolute truth. He asked them to drink to the health of the noblest work of God—an honest man. (Applause.)

Mr. Nobelius responded in a modest speech.

At Gembrook station the party were met by Cr. Martin, president of the Berwick shire council, who welcomed his Excellency to the district in the name of the settlers. A hurried inspection was made of the fern tree scenery in the gully, where tea was provided by the president of the shire. The health of Mr. Keast was proposed by the Minister of Lands. In responding, Mr. Keast thanked his Excellency for visiting the district. He thought he had not overrated the beauty of the scenery. The land also was very fertile—equal for potato growing to the Warrnambool country. Once its fertility became better known there should be greatly increased settlement in the district.

The party reached the city on the return journey about 6.30.

A Few Unsolicited Opinions.

FROM THE PRESS:

THE AUSTRALASIAN:—

"At Emerald, near Gembrook, and near the centre of the Dandenong Ranges, at an altitude of about 800 ft. above sea-level, is one of the best kept nurseries, and probably the largest, in the Australian colonies, the property of Mr. C. A. Nobelius.

"The whole nurseries are a model of order and cleanliness—hardly a weed visible anywhere. A visit to the Gembrook Nurseries, Emerald, will well repay anyone who can appreciate a well-conducted nursery establishment."

THE LEADER writes:—

"Order and uniformity are features which are at once apparent to the visitors to the Gembrook Nurseries. Row upon row of evenly-grown trees stand out as evidence of careful work, while cleanliness is another marked feature. No blight, for example, can be found, a result which is not surprising when it is learnt that the proprietor, instead of washing the young tree with one of the prescribed mixtures should

signs of the Woolly Aphis or other pests be found, takes it out, root, stock and branch, and burns it. Mr. Nobelius by this drastic method rids the nursery of a pest in a manner which leaves no doubt as to its effectiveness."

THE GARDEN & FIELD (S.A.):—

"Outside California we have seen nothing to equal this beautifully kept nursery. We have seen small areas as well kept, but none better; we have seen small beds of trees as clean, as healthy, and as evenly grown, but we have never seen any more so. We have seen small beds of bigger trees, grown under irrigation, but never any more hardy or robust. After hours spent walking through and around the nursery beds, which Mr. Nobelius estimates contain over a million trees and stocks in various stages, we did not see more weeds than we would be willing to carry off the place on our backs before breakfast, or any disease whatsoever on the whole of this immense stock of young stuff."

FROM CUSTOMERS:

United States Dept. of Agriculture,
Washington, D.C.,
20th June, 1901.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—The apple trees and scions ordered for this Department by the Department of Mines and Agriculture of New South Wales, have just arrived in excellent condition. Not a twig or root of the trees was dead, nor was a single scion in the least injured by the long shipment.—Very truly yours,

ERNST A. BESSEY.

Lyra, Queensland,
18th June, 1901.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—I have received the 1000 trees I ordered from you, and I am well pleased with same; they are a splendid lot of well-grown trees, and I hope to be able to give you another order for another 1000 next year. Many thanks for your fine selection of trees.—Yours faithfully,

C. B. McCOSKER.

Glen Vale, near Hobart,
Tasmania, 6th Feb., 1905.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—I forward cheque to you for the three thousand and odd trees which I received from your nursery last year. My son was very pleased with them, and I believe that not one tree out of the whole number actually died, although we have experienced the driest season that has been known for many years. This speaks volumes in favour of trees from the "Gembrook Nurseries."—I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

W. J. J. REYNOLDS, Major.

Germantown,
15th June, 1903.

Dear Sir,—Your trees have arrived in good order and condition. I am very pleased with same, as they have splendid fibre roots and straight stems. I am sending you a money order in receipt for same.—I remain, yours truly,

H. KOSSECK.

"Oatlands," Narre Warren,
4th August, 1904.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—I herewith enclose cheque for £57/4/0, amount of your account rendered for fruit trees for my son Robert. I must say they are a fine lot of well-grown trees, and I am very pleased with them. I shall always do my best to heartily recommend you to any probable customers.—Believe me,
yours truly,

A. B. KENT.

The Strand,
Sydney, N.S.W.,
30th July, 1899.

Dear Sir,—I have just purchased an estate of nine hundred acres, fourteen acres of orchard, and I would not give the little orchard of your trees for the fourteen acres. The trees are headed absurdly high, and are not as far advanced as your trees, although planted long before.—Yours truly,

A. J. BRIERLEY.

Hobart, Tasmania,
28th August, 1893.

Dear Sir,—The trees arrived safe, and were highly satisfactory.—Yours truly,

J. LATHAM.

Ardmona,
20th May, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I was very satisfied with the trees obtained from you, they have done splendidly, but some from elsewhere, planted the same year, of a variety which you had not in stock, are none of them true to name. As they number three hundred all told, and are mainly some valueless whitish apricot, you can judge of my disgust. I am sorry I did not wait a year to obtain all I wanted from you—not a single stranger in the six hundred trees from your nursery.—Yours faithfully,

GERALD H. ROBINSON.

Dallington, Christchurch,
10th June, 1904.

Dear Sir,—Please find enclosed P.O.O. for £27/5/0. The trees arrived in excellent order, and give every possible satisfaction. I have much pleasure in stating that they are the best stuff I have seen turned out of a nursery since I left Europe; the packing was excellent. I hope I may be able to give you another order before the season closes.—I am, yours faithfully,

S. I. FITCH.

Glen Aplin, near Stanthorpe,
Queensland, 6th July, 1903.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Enclosed please find crossed cheque for £44/3/0 sterling, being payment on the consignment of fruit trees ordered of you. The trees arrived in splendid order, and I am very pleased with them. Accept my best thanks for the splendid selection of trees you sent, and wishing to do more business with you in the future, I remain, yours faithfully,

ROBERT SMITH.

Payneham, South Australia,
14th June, 1901.

Dear Sir,—The trees came to hand yesterday in excellent condition, and are thoroughly satisfactory.—Yours faithfully,

H. WICKS.

Kameruka, N.S.W.,
25th July, 1901.

Dear Sir,—Trees seem a very nice lot indeed, and I hope will do your nursery justice when at maturity. Last season's trees have done well considering our unusually bad season.—Yours truly,

W. W. WREN.

Lancaster, 18th October, 1901.

Dear Sir,—May I state that I was exceedingly pleased with the splendidly rooted trees you forwarded to me. They have made a full strike, and are growing rapidly.—Yours sincerely,

P. W. PEDERICK.

Shire Hall, Camberwell,
5th August, 1894.

Dear Sir,—The trees I had from you last year were very satisfactory, and have done splendidly.—Yours faithfully

R. W. SMELLIE.

Doncaster,
4th August, 1893.

Sir,—The trees, and in fact everything, arrived in first class condition—thanks to your care in packing. They are a fine lot of trees, and am well satisfied with them.—Yours, etc.,

JOHN HUDSON.

51 Princes St.,
Dunedin, N.Z.
5th October, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The consignment reached us in splendid condition, and we desire to compliment you on the manner in which all were packed, and trust to send you a larger order for next season.—Yours truly,

HOWDEN & MONCRIEFF.

Toomuc Valley Orchard,
Pakenham,
23rd May, 1900.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—The trees came to hand in good order. I am well pleased with them. Just about the right size for planting, splendidly rooted, clean and straight; such stock must prove satisfactory.—Yours truly,

T. H. GRANT.

Glen Creek, Bonnie Doon,
13th August, 1897.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—I received the trees safely. They were well packed, well grown, and healthy. The party whose order I sent you with mine was perfectly satisfied with price, condition, and growth of trees.—Yours faithfully,

GEO. TOMLINSON.

507 Hay Street, Perth, W.A.,
11th July, 1900.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS.

Dear Sir,—The trees arrived in good condition, and are a nice clean, healthy lot, and have given satisfaction. We are obliged for the careful attention to our order, and for the good selection you sent, and trust to doing further business with you in the future.—Yours faithfully,

ROSSITER & CO.

Christchurch, N.Z.
1st January, 1900.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—I am very pleased with the fruit trees, and shall ask for another parcel next season. Accept my thanks for the prompt despatch of the order.—Yours faithfully,

W. JONES.

Riddell's Creek,
1st June, 1901.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—Many thanks for the nice stuff you have sent us. It is very well grown and shapely, packing excellent, and altogether turning out in a tip top manner.—Faithfully yours,

JOHN SMITH & SONS.

Crookwell, N.S.W.,
10th July, 1899.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—Yours of the 17th June duly came to hand; also the fruit trees. They arrived in good order, and are a splendid lot of trees. I am delighted with them.—Yours faithfully,

P. C. ARNOLD.

Ardmona,
12th June, 1901.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—Many thanks for prompt despatch of my order, the quality of the trees, and the excellence of the packing.—Yours truly,

J. C. WINKLE.

Avenel,
25th July, 1899.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—I received bundle of trees yesterday in good condition, and am very pleased with same. Many thanks for your prompt attention to my small order. I can with confidence at any time recommend your trees, as they always do well.—Yours truly,

H. P. NEWTON.

Dept. of Mines, Sydney,
27th July, 1897.

C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—My brother advises me of receipt, in satisfactory condition, of the trees forwarded by you. He reports in highly favourable terms of the class of trees sent, and I have to thank you for your care in this respect.—Yours faithfully,

G. A. M'KAY.

Christchurch, N.Z.,
7th July, 1899.

MR. C. A. NOBELIUS,

Dear Sir,—We received the eleven bundles of trees in splendid condition, and thank you kindly for your attention to our orders.—Yours truly,

NAIRN & SONS.

Carlingford East,
28th May, 1899.

Dear Sir,—The six packages of trees arrived in good order, and I must say their quality gives satisfaction in every respect.—Yours faithfully,

M. F. VOLLMER.

Survey Office, Sydney,
5th July, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I am glad to say that I received the trees, and am very well pleased with them. As a result, you will in a few days receive an order from a friend.—Yours truly,

ERNEST S. VAUTIN.

218 Pitt St., Sydney,
25th July, 1898.

Dear Sir,—We are well pleased with the few trees purchased from you this season, and next year we hope to do considerably more business.—Yours faithfully,

ANDERSON & CO.

DOES FRUIT-GROWING PAY?

THE above is a question we are often asked by intending planters. We believe that there is no business in Australia that would pay better than fruit-growing if proper varieties were planted, such as can be used in some shape or form for export—either in its natural state, in pulp, dried, or otherwise preserved. There is a good demand for dried fruit, especially prunes, and we have quite an unlimited market for our apples in Europe, whither they can now be shipped in good order.

At present most of our orchards are too small, as there are very few that can ship even 1000 cases at a time. Why do not some of our capitalists try an orchard of, say, 1000 acres? The capital required for buying the land, planting, and keeping in order until in profit would not be over £20,000, as there should be plenty of good orchard land to be had at £5 per acre that would not require much clearing. A nett profit of 1/- per tree would give £5000, or 25 per cent. on the capital, and 1/- per tree would be a very small profit if in full bearing. We have taken as much as 30/- gross off a tree planted about eight years ago. It would not be anything out of the way for a tree to give, in fair seasons, a net return of 4/-, which would just be 100 per cent. on the capital.

Of course an orchard must be well looked after, and kept thoroughly clean and free from pests, which is easily done if started in the beginning; the trees must be properly pruned, and a man of thorough knowledge to superintend the whole. The larger the area planted the less will be the cost per tree in working expenses. No crops should be grown between the rows of trees unless manured and kept clean, and then only for two or three years. Peas, potatoes or other root crops, and strawberries may be grown if soil and climate are suitable, but on no account should hay crops or grain be grown. At least a distance of six or seven feet should be free from any crop on each side of the rows of trees, and well cultivated during the summer months.

Small orchards from 5 to 20 acres would not pay a capitalist, but would make a good living for a man and his family with moderate means, and a most pleasant life, as in fruit-growing, if he is successful, he can always find a time in the year to enjoy his money. He will have a very busy time during the fruit picking, pruning, and cleansing, but can always find, if his work is well forward, that he can spare a month or so in the year for travelling, or what other enjoyment he likes best.



GEMBROOK NURSERIES.—SOUTH-WEST CORNER AND PACKING SHED, NEW NURSERY.



BUDDING AT GEMBROOK NURSERIES.



RAILWAY SIDING, OFFICE AND PACKING SHED—NEAR EMERALD RAILWAY STATION.



GEMBROOK NURSERIES.—PORTION OF OLD NURSERY.



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of

1906



FRUIT TREES



ELMS OAKS
PLANES POPLARS
RHUBARB
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